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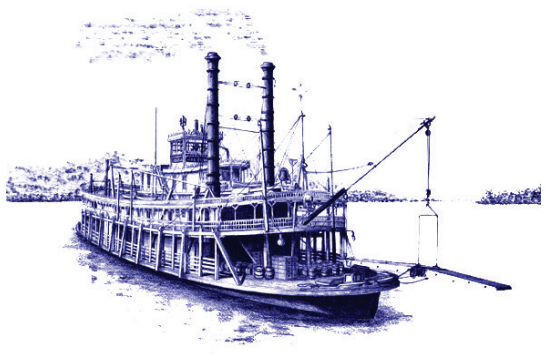

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Jefferson EMA trying to get ahead of rush for PPE

BY COLLIN OVERTON

The Jefferson County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) is once again exploring options for getting more personal protective equipment (PPE) to first responders as COVID-19 cases continue to spike, EMA Executive Director Troy Morgan told county commissioners Thursday night.

While the Jefferson County Health Department supplies local clinics, hospitals, businesses and other public-facing institutions, EMA helps make sure firefighters, EMS technicians and sheriff's deputies and jailers have access to protective equipment while serving the community. EMA also helps provides PPE for medical staff or businesses if the health department cannot meet their needs for any reason, Morgan said.

Indiana State Department of Health data showed 133 new COVID-19 cases recorded in Jefferson County on Wednesday and Thursday, bringing the overall total to 1,040 as of Friday afternoon. Meeting exclusively over Zoom for the first time in several months, commissioners heard Morgan address concerns about the upcoming cost and demand for PPE with rising infection rates.

Morgan said that while EMA had plenty of supplies stocked at the Jefferson County 4-H Fairgrounds for the time being, he was concerned about increased

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Firefighters converge to battle massive garage blaze on KY 36

BY MARK CAMPBELL

Firefighters from Milton, Bedford and Madison responded to a massive garage fire on KY 36 in downtown Milton on Thursday that sent a huge plume of black smoke skyward that could be seen for miles.

The fire was reported at about 2:20 p.m. Thursday when homeowner Jeremy Dickey, of 210 Highway 36, Milton, was alerted by a knock at his door that his building was on fire. By the time the fire was called in and firefighters were dispatched the two car garage and workshop was fully engulfed.

"The homeowner was inside his house at the time. He stated he did not know anything was on fire until people started knocking on his door," said Milton Volunteer Fire Department Chief Jason Long. "The fire was so hot due to there being such a fire load in the garage. There was a Silverado truck, two side by sides and several other items that caused the fire to be extremely hot and on top of that we had another day of high winds that made the fire spread quicker. I was there within a few minutes of being dispatched and it was already gone."

Long, driving Milton's advance vehicle, arrived at the scene just minutes before the first pumper truck but by the time he got there the fire was already well out of control. By the time Milton's first truck arrived, flames were shooting high above the

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Above: Black smoke billows as heavy flames engulf a garage during a fire in downtown Milton, Kentucky, Thursday afternoon. There were no injuries but the garage was a total loss and several nearby structures were damaged by the intense heat. **Below:** Milton Fire Chief Jason Long radios instructions to arriving firefighters as smoke and flames billow from a garage fire in downtown Milton on Thursday afternoon. There were no injuries but the structure and the contents were a total loss.

Above and left: Firefighters and other volunteers work to lay hoses to begin fighting a massive garage fire that was already fully engulfed before the first pumper trucks could arrive. There were no injuries but the structure was a total loss.

Photos by Mark Campbell

Committee presents review of MPD SOPs to Merit, Public Works boards

BY MARK CAMPBELL

A steering committee that has been reviewing Madison Police Department's Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) over the last few months presented its findings and recommendations to a joint session of the city's Police Merit Board and Board of Public Works and Safety on Wednesday night.

The committee was appointed with the task of reviewing each SOP in the Madison Police Department officer handbook to see if the guidelines the officers are sworn to uphold are consistent with how the community wants police officers to serve and protect its citizens and conduct themselves in the line of duty.

Several of the department's 39 basic SOPs had been flagged for attention by risk management

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Kentucky schools, bars, restaurants on lockdown

BY COLLIN OVERTON

Kentucky schools, restaurants and bars are headed back into a temporary lockdown following directives from Gov. Andy Beshear at a press conference on Wednesday.

The announcement came one day before Kentucky reported 3,649 new infections on Thursday, a new daily high, and 30 new deaths, the second-most reported in a single day since the pandemic began in March. As of Thursday, Kentucky had recorded 148,390 cases, 1,742 deaths and a 9.18% positivity rate, with 25,437 recovered, according to the Kentucky Department for Public Health.

Only eight out of Kentucky's 120 counties were not marked

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Holcomb picks Madison's Jenner as education secretary

BY CASEY SMITH
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Indiana Gov. Eric Holcomb has tapped his senior education advisor, Madison resident Katie Jenner, to serve as the state's first secretary of education, marking the first time in more than a century the state schools superintendent position isn't decided by voters.

Dr. Katie Jenner

Jenner, a former local educator and the wife of Madison City Attorney Joe Jenner, will officially take on the role Jan. 11 after current Superintendent of Public Instruction Jennifer McCormick leaves office. Jenner will immediately focus on helping schools navigate the coronavirus pandemic, in addition to shaping state policy on education funding, school accountability and testing, according to the governor's office.

"This is an incredibly important time for education in Indiana," Holcomb said in a statement Thursday. "(Jenner) has focused her entire career on investing in students, teachers and staff, and she will continue to build the relationships needed to move our state forward in constructive ways."

Under new state law, the state schools chief was

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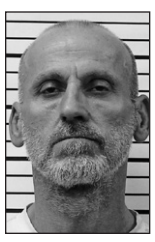
Broken headlight leads to felony drug charges

BY COURIER STAFF REPORT

A routine traffic stop by Madison Police for a broken headlight resulted in the arrest of a Madison man on felony drug charges late Wednesday night in downtown Madison.



Victory "Vic" Burnham Wynn

Patrolman Jared Sweet initiated the traffic stop at Main and West streets for a headlight out at about 11:06 p.m.

The routine driver's license check on the driver of the vehicle, Victory "Vic" Burnham Wynn 52, of Madison, Indiana, revealed that Wynn was operating the motor vehicle without ever obtaining a driver's license.

While removing Wynn from the vehicle, Sweet noted the driver making furtive movements. A subsequent search of Wynn and vehicle, found him to be in possession of small plastic baggies containing a white substance. The white substance field tested positive as methamphetamine.

In addition to the methamphetamine, officers also recovered paraphernalia associated with dealing narcotics, marijuana and a syringe during their search.

Wynn was arrested and faces preliminary charges of operating without ever having a license (prior offense), a Class A misdemeanor; manufacturing/dealing methamphetamine and possession of methamphetamine, both Level 3 felonies; dealing in marijuana, a Level 5 felony; and possession of syringe and possession of marijuana, both Level 6 felonies.

Wynn was lodged in the Jefferson County Jail where he is being held without bond.

TWO CHARGED IN ALLEGED ROAD RAGE

Two Madison men have been charged in connection with an alleged case of road rage Tuesday on Madison's hilltop.

Madison Officers Cameron Blankenship and Zach Nicholson were on patrol on Tuesday when they observed a white Cadillac and a black Chrysler eastbound on Clifty Drive at a high rate of speed at about 5 p.m.

The officers gave pursuit as both vehicles turned north onto Wilson Avenue from Clifty Drive. The officers were able to stop the Chrysler as it turned east onto Scott Court from Wilson Avenue and the driver of the vehicle was identified as Keaton Sullivan 18, of Madison.

Prior to taking Sullivan into custody, officers noted furtive movement in the vehicle by Sullivan. As officers approached the vehicle, a clear plastic baggie was observed on the floorboard and the baggie contained a white substance that later field tested positive as methamphetamine.

Sullivan was taken into custody without further incident and charged with possession of methamphetamine and resisting law enforcement, both Level 6 felonies, and reckless driving, A Class C misdemeanor.

About 45 minutes later, Blankenship located the white Cadillac on Clifty Drive. A traffic stop was initiated and, after further investigation, it was determined the driver was the other person involved in the earlier road rage incident.

The driver, Joshua Kiser 25, of Madison, was taken into custody and charged with reckless driving, a Class C misdemeanor.

The incident remains under investigation.

NEWS OF RECORD

EDITOR'S NOTE: Due to a software issue at the Jefferson County Central Dispatch, activity logs for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Madison Police Department and Hanover Police Department are currently not available.

JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL

LODGINGS

November 18, 2020

Shawn David Hemingway, 28, to serve time for probation violation. No bond.

Victory Burnam Wynn, for manufacture and dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 4 felony; dealing in marijuana, a Level 5 felony; possession of a syringe, a Level 6 felony; possession of paraphernalia, a Class A misdemeanor; possession of marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor; and operating without every obtaining a license second offense, a Class C misdemeanor. No bond.

Natessa Yavonne Gibson, 28, to serve seven days jail. No bond.

November 20, 2020

Darin Lawrence Brittan, 39, to hold on a warrant from Trimble County, Kentucky. No bond.

Curry Andrew Morgan, 23, serving two days jail on weekends. No bond.

JEFFERSON SUPERIOR COURT

CRIMINAL

(Nov. 2-13, 2020)

Kirk Patrick Craig, pleaded guilty in three cases including obstruction of justice and two counts of auto theft, all Level 6 felonies, ordered to serve 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction on each charge with all suspended except for 169 total days served, placed on probation with Jefferson County Community Corrections for a total of 418 days with first 90 days monitored electronically, plus court costs and fees.

Tony Lee Bailey, pleaded guilty to operating while intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor, ordered to serve 365 days jail, all suspended except for one day served, placed on probation with Jefferson County Community Corrections for 363 days with license suspended for 30 days with special driving privileges, plus court costs and fees.

Sarah R. Nantz, pleaded guilty to identity deception, a Level 6 felony amended to a Class A misdemeanor, sentenced to 19 days jail with credit for 38 good time days served and ordered to pay court costs and fees with release for time served.

Thomas Murray, pleaded guilty to operating while intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor, sentenced to 365 days jail, all suspended except for five days with credit for one day served and four to serve. Placed on supervised probation for 360 days with driver's license suspended for 180 days plus court costs and fees.

Kristopher Pittman, pleaded guilty to operating while intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor, and leaving the scene of an accident, a Class B misdemeanor, sentenced concurrently to 365 and 180 days, respectively, all suspended except for two days jail served. Placed on probation for 363 days with no license suspension as court grants defendant's argument of subutex if proof of prescription can be provided. Ordered to pay court costs and fees.

Damien Dale Smith, pleaded guilty to two counts of operating while intoxicated, both Level 6 felonies, to serve two years and 18 months, respectively, at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended except for a combined 159 days served, placed on combined 972 days probation with community

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Police ID man killed in Batesville standoff

The suspect who was killed in a standoff with Indiana State Police on Monday in Batesville has been identified.

Joshua D. Evans, 32, was shot and killed by law enforcement just outside his Bridlewood Trace Road home shortly before noon on Monday after a three-hour standoff in which he fired on officers.

Batesville Police were called to Evans' home at approximately 8 a.m. on Monday after he was reported to be acting irrationally and causing other occupants of the home to fear for their safety.

Officers initially arrived and removed an adult female and three children from the residence. While officers stood outside the garage of the residence attempting to make contact with Evans, he fired a shot at an officer who was struck by debris and received minor injuries.

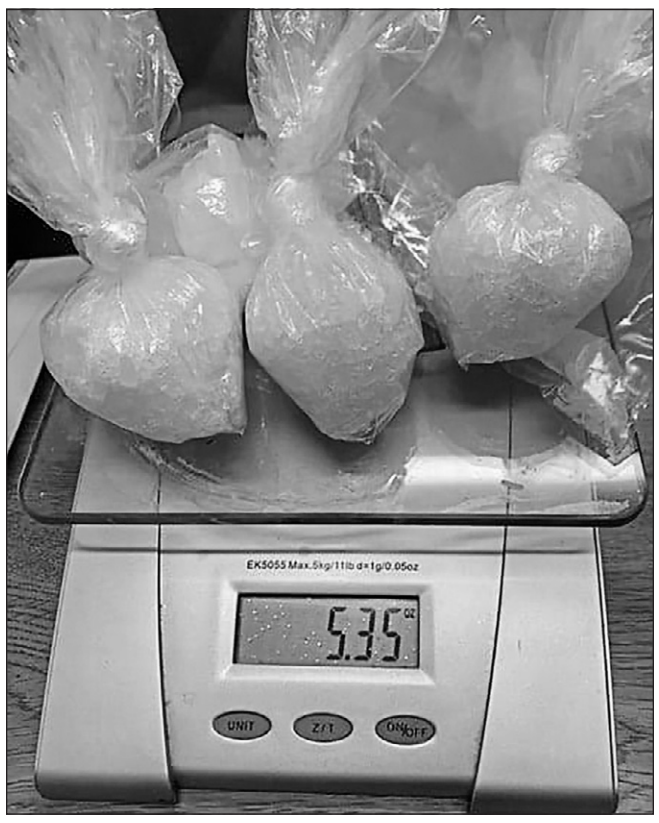
Numerous officers from multiple agencies responded to the scene and Evans remained barricaded inside the garage for more than three hours. At one point, Indiana State Police Negotiators made contact with him by phone and began speaking to him.

At approximately 11:30 a.m., Evans fired additional shots from the garage and then soon exited the structure while holding a gun. Three troopers with the Indiana State Police SWAT Team and an officer with the Greensburg Police Department fired shots during the incident and Evans was struck by at least one bullet.

Police and EMTs provided immediate first aid but Evans was pronounced dead as a result of the injuries sustained upon rrival at Margaret Mary Health in Batesville.

The investigation by detectives with the Indiana State Police-Versailles District is ongoing. An autopsy was performed Wednesday in Hamilton County, Ohio, with those results and toxicology results pending at this time.

The names of the involved officers are not being released at this time.



Handout

The more than 5 grams of suspected methamphetamine Indiana State Police recovered at the home of Christina E. Abbott in Jeffersonville.

CHARLESTOWN MAN ARRESTED FOR CHILD MOLESTING

An investigation by an Indiana State Police Internet Crimes against Children task force resulted in the arrest of a Charlestown, Indiana, man for possession and dissemination of child pornography and child molestation earlier this week.

Justin Freytag

The investigation began in October when a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children led investigators from the Sellersburg ICAC Task Force to interview a suspect and obtain a search warrant for his residence.

As a result of the initial interview and investigation, Justin Freytag, 36, of Charlestown, was arrested on Wednesday, Nov. 18, and charged with possession of child pornography, a Level 6 felony, and dissemination of child pornography, a Level 5 felony.

Officers then requested a second search warrant based on information gathered during their initial search and, acting on new information gathered during the search, charged Freytag with one count of child molestation, a Level 1 felony, and one count of child molestation, a Level 4 felony, on Thursday.

Freytag was lodged in the Clark County Jail on Wednesday with bail set at $100,000 full cash.

The investigation is ongoing.

CLARK COUNTY WOMAN FACING DRUG CHARGES

A Clark County woman was arrested on felony drug charges after investigators searched her Jeffersonville residence Wednesday afternoon and located more than 5 grams of suspected methamphetamine.

The Indiana State Police Drug Enforcement Section began an investigation in October after receiving information about alleged drug activity at the address with the Sellersburg Post All Crimes Policing Squad assisting. At the conclusion of the joint investigation, officers requested and received a search warrant.

On Wednesday, DES and ACP units served the search warrant at 1420 Grubbs Avenue in Jeffersonville. During the search, officers discovered the suspected methamphetamine, as well as marijuana and other drug-related items.

As a result of the search and investigation, Christina E. Abbott, 49, of Jeffersonville, has been charged with dealing in methamphetamine, a Level 2 felony; possession of methamphetamine, a Level 3 felony; maintaining a common nuisance and possession of a syringe, both Level 6 felonies; and possession of paraphernalia and possession of marijuana, both Class A misdemeanors.

Abbott was taken into custody without incident and lodged in the Clark County Jail.

DEER HUNTER IMPALED BY ANTLERS DURING UTV ACCIDENT

Indiana Conservation Officers are investigating an off-road vehicle accident Monday that resulted in a deer hunter being airlifted to a Cincinnati hospital with serious injuries after he was impaled by the antlers of a deer he had just harvested.

At approximately 2 p.m. on Monday, responders were dispatched to the 11000 block of South Fork Road in Dillsboro, regarding a hunter who was involved in a rollover accident.

Earl Hagy, 63, of Dillsboro, was airlifted from the scene and flown to the University of Cincinnati Hospital in stable condition.

Hagy was retrieving a harvested antlered deer from the bottom of a steep incline where he had been hunting. After securing the deer to the rear of the off-road vehicle, Hagy attempted to drive back up the steep incline but the vehicle rolled over backwards, throwing him. As a result of the accident, Hagy was impaled in the right side of his torso by the antlers of the deer.

Responding agencies include Indiana Conservation Officers, Ohio County Sheriff's Department, Rising Sun Police Department, Bear Branch Fire Department, and Rising Sun EMS.

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Sunrise: 7:31 a.m. **Sunset:** 5:23 p.m.
Temperature: High 62.3, Low 51.1, Mean 56.7, Excess 7.6
Precipitation since last published: 0
Precipitation, November: 1.03 **Precipitation, year:** 46.78
Barometer: 30.36, Rising
River Level at IKE: 422.1, Falling
3-day forecast: Sunday: Rain High 51/Low 35; Monday: Partly cloudy 45/Low 32; Tuesday: Cloudy High 49/Low 43.

LOTTERY

INDIANA
Hoosier Lotto: 3-9-10-16-28-35 (11/18). Estimated Jackpot: $2.2 million. Next Drawing (11/21).
Daily 2-2-9 SB: 8
Daily 4: 4-2-4-8 SB: 8
Cash Five: 12-13-14-19-32 (11/19)
Cash 4 Life: 16-17-18-37-58 CB: 4 (11/19)
Cash Ball: 7-18-23-29 CB: 6 (11/19)
Lucky For Life: 5-16-27-35-36 LB: 4 (11/19)

MEGAMILLIONS
8-13-35-46-68 MB: 16, MP: x3 (11/17). Next Estimated Jackpot: $188 million, Next Drawing (11/20)

POWERBALL
4-5-17-43-52 PP:5 PP:x2 (11/18). Next Estimated Jackpot: $192 million. Next Drawing (11/21).

KENTUCKY
Pick 3: 5-4-5
Pick 4: 6-7-4-1

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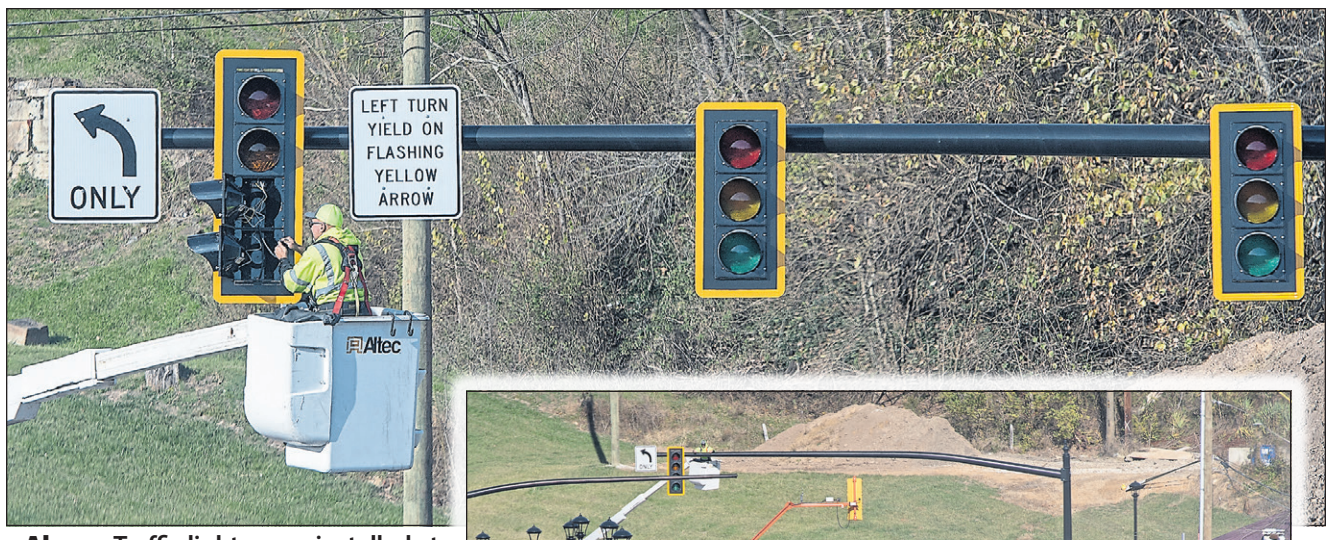


Above: Traffic lights were installed at the US 421 Gateway to Madison on Thursday, clearing the way for the traffic control devices to be put into service on Friday. Some additional work remains to be completed between now and mid-December and the final paving will be done next April but The traffic patterns established by the new lights are the same as motorists will face when the project is completely finished. **Right:** Some of the traffic congestion caused by alternating traffic lights at temporary lane closures (foreground) on Harrison Street coming off the US 421 bridge in downtown Madison are expected to be improved when the road switches to its permanent traffic control lights (background) at the intersection of Harrison Street and East Second Street.

Photos by Mark Campbell

A worker attaches the new traffic control devices at the US 421 Gateway intersection coming off the Milton-Madison Bridge on Thursday in preparation for putting the lights into service Friday.

Traffic signals at US 421 Gateway set to go live

BY COURIER STAFF

Indiana Department of Transportation contractor Beatty Construction Inc. hoped to activate the new traffic control signals at the intersection of US 421 and East Second Street, near the Milton-Madison Bridge on Friday.

The new signals will be controlled by in-pavement loop sensors to better facilitate traffic flow and feature three-section signal heads.

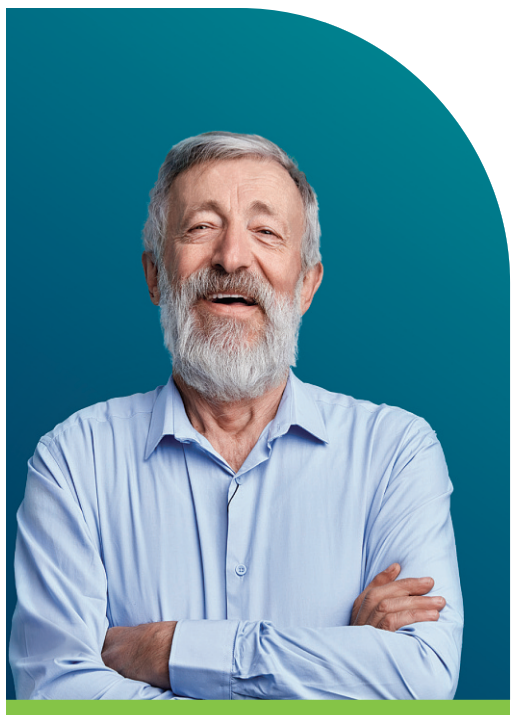
In addition, most of the work on the bridge approach project will be complete by the end of 2020. The new alignment opened to traffic in June and East Second Street from Harrison Street to Baltimore Street is planned to reopen in the next couple of weeks following placement of temporary pavement markings.

Crews are also working on US 421 in downtown Madison — from the traffic intersection to Jefferson Street — finishing up curbs and intersections with plans to reopen them by mid-December.

Crews will return to the site next spring to finish the final surface paving and striping. The work in 2021, project to be in mid-April when asphalt plans reopen in the spring — will include milling all surfaces in the construction zone and laying the final 1.5-inch surface pavement, said Kyle Beaty, construction manager for Beaty.

Motorists are reminded to slow down and use extra caution as traffic adjusts to the new signals. All work is weather dependent.

Workers pour concrete to form the curbs along Sering Street in downtwon Madison. Sering, which formerly linked State Road 56 and Main Street in downtown Madison, is now a dead-end access for residents with State Road 56 traffic linking up with Main Street and U.S. 421 at the intersection of East Second Street.



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Public Works grants PACE extension, disbursements

BY MARK CAMPBELL

Madison's Board of Public Works granted one project extension and partial payments for several other PACE program grant applications at its meeting on Monday.

The PACE program, which provides exterior and/or structural rehabilitation assistance to encourage private property owners to restore and preserve structures in the downtown historic district, provides 50/50 matching funds as long as property owners adhere to the standards of the district and complete projects in a timely fashion.

Work must be started within 90 days and completed within a year to qualify for the 50/50 matching funds. In the event that a deadline cannot be met, applicants must seek an extension from the Board of Public Works.

Liberty Screen and Printing, 831 W. Main Street, sought just such an extension Monday because an adjoining building was heavily damaged by fire after the Liberty application was approved and the owners cannot work on their property until improvements are made to the damaged structure.

The red glow of a microphone in front of a photo of Mayor Bob Courtney indicated that he was speaking during Monday's Board of Public Works meeting at Madison City Hall. Courtney, who has been in COVID-19 isolation since last week, joined the meeting from home by phone while City Attorney Joe Jenner and Clerk-Treasurer Rick Berry and other board members appeared in person with most wearing face masks. The city will transition back to video meetings for many of its council, board and committee meetings until the city's COVID-19 numbers show improvement.

Mark Campbell

The Board also approved partial payments to several other applications — ranging from the lower dollar rehabilitation grants to higher dollar dilapidated structure and dangerous building grants including:

- 108 E. Third St. in the amount of $3,750
- 712 W. Second St., in the amount of $7,500
- 920 W. First St., in the amount of $10,500
- 1063 W. Main St., in the amount of $7,500
- 520 E. Main St., in the amount of $7,500
- 413 E. Main St. in the amount of $6,650
- 701 Walnut St., in the amount of $1,720
- 112 E. Third St., in the amount of $6,503.43
- 926 W. Main St., in the amount of $2,000
- 227 W. Main St., in the amount of $25,000 (the building qualified for the higher dilapidated structures grant).

Speaking by phone from his home, where he has been in COVID isolation since last week, Madison Mayor Bob Courney said the list of grants were all high value properties in vibrant sections of the city and to have those structures improved is of great value to the city and its historic district.

"These are some great projects that these people are working on," he said. "These are all worthy of our PACE funding."

Nicole M. Schell, city planner-preservation coordinator, said the next round of applications is due on Dec. 7 with the application review meeting in January. There are also an additional five application deadlines scheduled for 2021.

EMA

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demand drying up supply lines and driving up prices for face masks to where they were in the early spring.

For example, surgical masks cost $2 in April and May but that price has declined to about 45 cents in recent months. The higher quality N95 masks, meanwhile, are still $2 to $3 each, he said. The county could soon be paying those prices again and have a harder time getting PPE in large supply.

"Right now we're doing OK. I don't have hundreds and hundreds and thousands and thousands on hand of anything, but I've got enough to keep ahead of the demand," Morgan said. "…We're doing something every day to try to get ahead, but I just don't know how far ahead of the game we're going to be once we start to see the difficulty in getting that stuff again."

Local EMAs receive much of that equipment from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which supplies PPE to individual state governments. Morgan said he plans to take a trip to Indianapolis on Monday to pick up another load.

While masks are the most widely requested and used piece of equipment, gloves are still nearly impossible to obtain through the national stockpile. Morgan said he ordered a shipment of gloves in March but still hasn't received any. The county's supply of gloves is currently "really, really low," he said.

"I told the commissioners, just to exaggerate my point, 'If you gave me a million dollars and said to go buy as many as you can, I don't think we'd have any more tomorrow than we do today,' " Morgan said Friday.

Luckily the county's supply on surface — and supply of hand sanitizer, face shields and eye protection — is still quite high, he said. EMA still has plenty of storage space at the fairgrounds unless it gets a massive shipment and is currently trying to identify future needs.

"We're trying to identify what we think our need is going to be and try and get those now before those prices go back up," Morgan said.

In other business:

— The commissioners granted a request by Administrative Assistant Sarah Morgan to shut down courthouse offices from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 11 for an employee-funded holiday break. Employees normally hold a Christmas party each year during that time but due to COVID-19, will only be doing door prizes, virtual games and holding an extended lunch hour, she said.

— Commission President David Bramer said the Jefferson County Plan Commission will review the new comprehensive plan at a meeting at the 4-H Fairgrounds community building on Dec. 1 at 5:30 p.m.

REVIEW

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experts, who reviewed the document prior to the steering committee beginning its work. The committee could agree or disagree with that assessment as well as agree or disagree with the existing procedures and Madison Police Chief John Wallace, who helped facilitate the committee meetings by explaining the various law enforcement practices being implemented by MPD.

In the end, 31 of the existing SOPs were deemed as needing no modification and the seven that did undergo closer scrutiny covered a range of situations from pursuits and road blocks, to use of lethal and non-lethal force and property control with regard to the chain of evidence.

However, the review also prompted Wallace to offer three new regulations that he described as "Chief's Directives" rather than SOPs that could also be added to the handbook as additional SOPs.

Mayor Bob Courtney, who sits on the Board of Public Works and took part in the committee meetings, said several of the policies that were scrutinized dealt with issues that have come up in the community and throughout the country in recent months like high speed pursuits, use of force and racial profiling.

"This review and the modifications of SOPs is very timely," Courtney said, beginning with SOP No. 1 dealing with police road blocks and pursuits.

Wallace said risk management experts for the most part weighed in on the side of not engaging in any pursuits and/or roadblocks due to the potential for injury to the officers, the suspects being pursued and bystanders, but the committee had a somewhat different take on pursuits and road blocks based on the level of threat the community would face without police intervention.

The recommendation was that Madison police no longer engage in pursuits that begin as a result of minor traffic infractions, a crime not witnessed by the officer or misdemeanors. The exception would be situations like violent crimes, domestic violence cases where allowing the suspect to go might endanger someone later and situations where the suspect's conduct presents a high level of threat to public safety.

Wallace said a broken headlight, lapsed license registration, property thefts and similar offenses would not be cause to give chase. Violent crimes and reckless behavior that endangers others would be reason to engage.

"There are exceptions to the misdemeanor rule but merely fleeing police for an infraction would not constitute a pursuit and that's a big change from our current policy," Wallace said, noting officers must ask themselves "How serious is the offense and is it a reasonable response based on the threat level."

In addition, all pursuits would have to be approved by the duty officer in charge and MPD would no longer engage in pursuits extending from other jurisdictions without first clearing it with the officer in charge, who would determine that by getting more details on what had taken place through the dispatch.

"The officer in charge makes the decision," Wallace said. "If it does not meet Madison Police Department criteria, we will not engage in the pursuit … and the outside agency remains responsible for the pursuit."

Another SOP the committee would like to see tweaked is the use of deadly and non-deadly force. Any use of force from the drawing and aiming of a handgun to the discharge of paper spray or a taser would be thoroughly documented in writing by the officer in the future and reviewed and possibly investigated by his or her superiors.

In addition, defensive tactics like chokeholds, the use of knees on heads and necks would not be permitted; however, Wallace said that some tactics may need additional review before being approved as SOPs.

To make that point, Wallace noted that the use of pepper spray and tasers, when applied successfully, often avoid more dangerous encounters where additional physical force may be needed to subdue a suspect increasing the likelihood of injury the suspect and the officer.

At the same time, Wallace noted that officers using tasers and pepper spray must follow procedures designed to make their use as safe as possible — like not discharging pepper spray into a suspect's eyes or from close range, not discharging the spray into a crowd where multiple people will be exposed and making sure that tasers are executed from the officer's secondary hand to keep the primary hand available for the handgun in the event that a situation escalates. In addition there will be various protocols on proper execution of taser shots and for administering to the health of the suspect after he or she has been tased.

Property and evidence control was another area the committee wanted to see more well-defined procedures put in place to make sure that the seizure, cataloging, secure storage and, upon completion of a case, destruction of evidence follows tight procedures that allow no opportunity for contamination, misdirection or misappropriation.

Some of the other areas addressed by the committee included procedures for ride-alongs by interns and/or media and policies on the use of personal rifles by officers.

Wallace said he also hoped to add three Chief's Directives to the handbook including guidelines on officer safety while operating in the public-right-way, a policy on foot pursuits instructing officers to consider the threat level, location and even weather conditions before engaging in a foot pursuit and an early warning and intervention system where officers can police each other if certain situations begin getting out of hand.

Wallace said the intervention system is essentially the "duty of all officers to intervene" if they see another officer failing to comply with established SOPs by using force that goes beyond that which is necessary in a situation or using tactics such as profiling to engage with a subject.

"I want to empower police officers to take action — especially lower ranking officers who see a higher ranking officer not complying with our SOPs," Wallace said, adding there is no place in the MPD for an officer who profiles anyone based on race, gender, sexual orientation, nationality, socio-economic standing or anything else that has nothing to do with unbiased police work.

"I think this is one of the more important additions," Courtney noted.

"This just drives it home that if you see something going on that is wrong, you are covered if you do something about it," Wallace said, when asked if a younger officer might face repercussions from a superior ranking officer. "My job is to then sit them down and explain why they were right to be called down. It's a good message to send to our guys and girls."

As part of that intervention, MPD will also mandate that officers attend annual training on ways to identify and eliminate such profiling. Wallace said he doesn't think the department has had significant issues with that in the past but the goal is to have no issues.

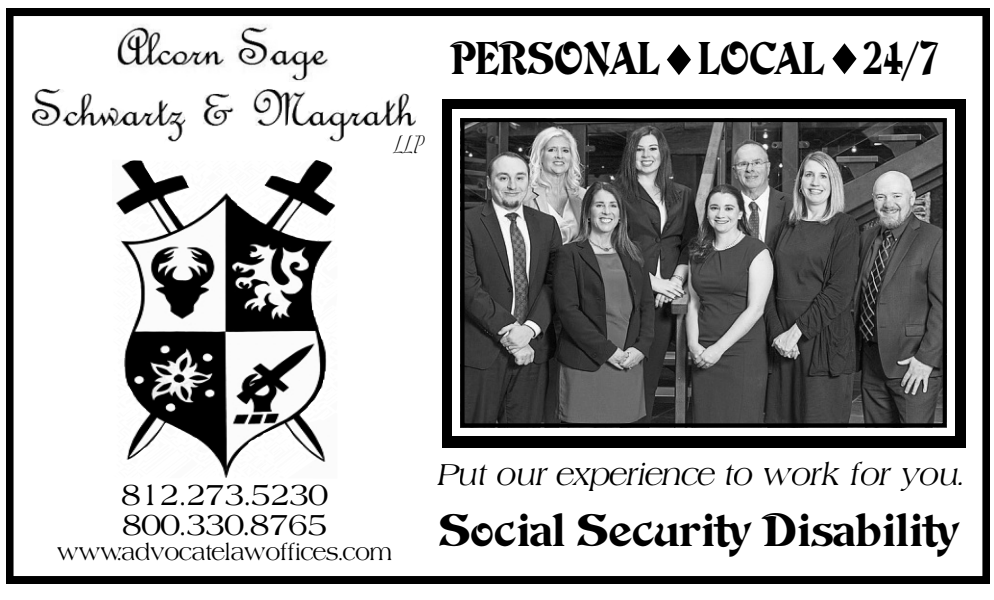
"Hopefully that's something that is a given but now it's in our rules." Wallace said.

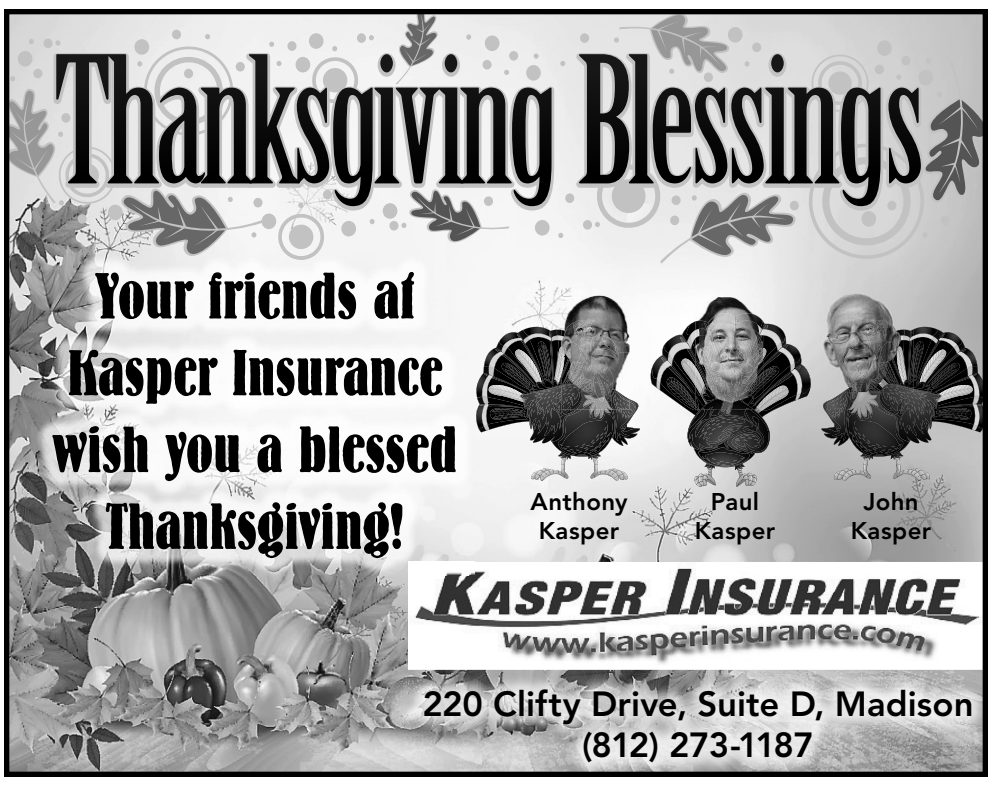
Wallace was asked why his Chief's Directives weren't just made a part of the department's SOPs. He said they easily could be adopted as SOPs if that is what Public Works Board wants to do but by making them Chief's Directives he was making sure they were part of the department's guidelines either way during his tenure.

All of the department's SOPs must be approved by the Public Works Board and Wallace asked Board members to email any suggestions for additions or changes so that he can prepare the final document for their approval at an upcoming meeting.

Courtney and Wallace thanked the committee members and said the exercise was important and should probably be revisited more often in the future.

"Out of 39 SOPs we had fewer that 10 that modifications needed to be made to," Courtney said referring to the assessment by the risk management firm. "They said we had well-written SOPs that were consistent with other well-managed law enforcement agencies across the country."





Above: Milton volunteer firefighters gain the upper-hand on a garage fire in downtown Milton on Thursday but not before the structure was a total loss. The building was fully engulfed by the time the first pumper truck arrived shortly before 2:30 p.m. **Right:** A garage in downtown Milton, Kentucky, was fully engulfed in flames and billowing black smoke before the arrival of firefighters Thursday. There were no injuries but the structure was a total loss as well as a pickup truck and two ATVs being stored inside.

Photos by Mark Campbell

BLAZE

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structure, thick black smoke was billowing well above the surrounding hillsides and small explosions could be heard from inside the inferno.

Firefighters from Milton, Bedford and Madison all responded to the scene and focused their efforts on knocking down the blaze and preventing spread to Dickey's nearby home and other residences nearby. The property shares a line with the Milton City Park to the south and a parking lot to the west so firefighters had plenty of room to stage their equipment and attack the blaze from the south and west and for onlookers to stop and watch the blaze consume the building and melt the siding on nearby structures.

"Crews were able to extinguish the fire quickly preventing the fire to spread any further. The garage was a total loss as well as vehicles the owner had inside," a fire department release said. "Two residential structures, as well as two other garages, received damage to their siding due to the fire. Crews were on the scene for several hours getting the fire out. Fire cause has not been determined at this time."

Bedford EMS also responded to the scene but there were no injuries.

Dickey lives at the residence with his wife and daughter, who were both gone at the time of the fire.

Fire watch, burn ban issued

BY COLLIN OVERTON

A burn ban and fire weather watch were issued for Jefferson County and much of the surrounding area this week due to forecasts calling for high winds and low humidity.

The National Weather Service issued a fire watch for Southern Indiana and most of Central Kentucky Wednesday through Thursday after forecasting southwest winds from 15 to 25 mph all day and gusts up to 35 mph. Humidity was projected to reach levels as low as 20 to 25% in the afternoon. The Jefferson County Emergency Agency enacted a 24-hour burn ban Thursday at 7 a.m. in response.

Trimble County was also under a fire weather watch Wednesday and Thursday, during which time a major structure fire broke out in downtown Milton. The fire, while not specifically caused by the conditions, was difficult to contain due the high and gusting win and the structure was a total loss.

The fire watch in Jefferson County was over Thursday night at 7 p.m. without much incident.

EMA Executive Director Troy Morgan said Thursday ,weather recorded at the agency's station didn't end up matching the forecast. Winds never surpassed 16 mph and the humidity dropped to 28% at its lowest, according to EMA weather technology, he said.

However, the fire watch notice was rare enough to make EMA issue the burn ban as a precaution. Morgan was only aware of a couple minor brush fires in Madison Township and Kent on Thursday.

"I don't know that I've ever seen a fire weather watch issued before, which was enough to make us stand up and take notice," Morgan said.

The fire threat is expected to be lower with rain forecast for the weekend.

LOCKDOWN

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red on the state's map for a "critical" spread of at least 25 positive cases per 100,000 people.

One of those not in the red zone was Trimble County, but the district still has to shift students and teachers to online learning for the rest of the semester through January, per the governor's orders. Bedford and Milton Elementary School students can return to the physical classroom starting Dec. 7 if Trimble County is not in the red zone and follows state guidance, according to the governor's order.

Trimble Superintendent Jessica Wilcoxson called Thursday "a disheartening day in the district."

Wilcoxson said Trimble was ready to switch gears back the virtual learning model it used early in the school year before starting in-person classes in September, from making student accommodations to providing meals to virtual learning, but not for the emotional reaction.

Bedford Hometown Pizza's General Manager Jared Kidwell said that while the news is "kind of upsetting," he's confident that business will remain steady throughout the next couple months both due to community support and the fact that pizza is a popular carryout option.

"There seemed to be a bit of a defeated energy, just because we've been so thankful to have our kids back in person and have seen a lot of growth in the past eight weeks," Wilcoxson said, adding that the county has managed to handle the virus fairly well and keep rates under control.

Just like in August, the district will still be allowed to bring in small groups of high school and junior high students to do work and get help from instructors in person.

Wilcoxson said to her knowledge the district does not have any active cases, but a few students and staff members are still in quarantine due to exposure.

Trimble will also have to put on hold basketball and other sports seasons dan practices effective Friday at 5 p.m. under a directive from the Kentucky High School Athletic Association. The girls and boys high school basketball team seasons will be delayed until Jan. 4.

The superintendent added that most Trimble County students, including her daughter, are worried another temporary shutdown might lead to virtual learning for the rest of the year just like last spring.

"The fear is 'Here's March all over again,' " she said.

Carroll County Schools will also close per the governor's order, the district announced in a Facebook post.

"We are very disappointed and saddened to say that our schools will be transitioning back to distance learning," Superintendent Danny Osborne said in a release. "As I said earlier on Wednesday, our intention was to remain open as long as the spread of COVID within our schools remained low. That being said, I do understand where Gov. Beshear is coming from with this directive. We will do everything that we can to make the next few months the best educational experience possible for our students."

Also affected throughout the state are restaurants and bars (closed to indoor dining), venue spaces (limited to 25 healthy people) and gyms, fitness centers and pools (limited to one-third capacity with no group classes allowed) starting Friday at 5 p.m. and running through Dec. 13.

Churches are also encouraged to not meet for in-person services until Dec. 13, Besehar announced Thursday.

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No employees will be laid off for now, he said. Instead, servers will be repurposed to her prepare carryout orders.

"It feels like a step back but if we got to do it, we got to do it," Kidwell said. "We've been doing pretty good through all of this for the most part."

JENNER

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removed from the ballot in November. Instead, a secretary of education — largely charged with implementing and administering policy — is chosen by the governor. Unlike the voter-elected state superintendent, the education secretary will report directly to Holcomb as a member of the cabinet.

"My priorities are to ensure high quality education for all students and families, and to provide solution-focused support for our teachers and educational leaders," Jenner said in a statement Thursday. "We have great opportunity ahead in Indiana, and I can't wait to roll up my sleeves and work hand in hand with students, educators and stakeholder partners across the state."

The switch to a governor-appointed state education secretary was originally approved by Indiana's General Assembly, with a planned start date of 2025. Lawmakers filed legislation last year to move the change up to 2021 after McCormick announced that she would not seek a second term in 2020.

Less than two weeks before the November election, however, McCormick switched her position and accepted a nomination tap from Democratic gubernatorial candidate Woody Myers to ensure "continuity" within the state's education department, especially amid the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Her "outrage" over "woefully underfunded" teachers and schools across the state also influenced her desire to remain in office, she said.

McCormick's endorsements of Myers and Democrats during her tenure laid bare her split from Holcomb and GOP legislative leaders since she was elected to be state schools superintendent in 2016 with Republican Party support. She has disagreed with Republican legislators on several education issues including the use of standardized testing to rate schools and teachers, and her support for increased scrutiny of charter and voucher schools that receive state money.

McCormick has accepted a position as senior vice president with EES Analytics, a data analytics company that will launch in January, according to a Wednesday news release.

Until now, Holcomb had remained quiet about any potential appointment picks, previously saying he would wait to review recommendations until after Election Day.

Jenner has previously served as a vice president at Ivy Tech Community College. She additionally worked as a career and technical education teacher in Kentucky, and as an administrator for Madison Consolidated Schools. Currently, Jenner is also on the governor's commission tasked with making recommendations for how to improve teacher salaries.

Jenner's first position in K-12 public education was as a Career and Technical Education teacher in Kentucky beginning in 2005. From 2009 to 2018, she worked for Madison Consolidated Schools as a school administrator and district administrator. In 2018 she joined Ivy Tech Community College as vice president of K-12 Initiatives and Statewide Partnerships, where she built statewide college strategies among K-12 schools, career centers, and Ivy Tech.

Jenner earned her undergraduate degree from Transylvania University, her master's degree in education from the University of Kentucky, an MBA from Indiana State University and her doctorate of education from the University of Kentucky.

Jason Bearce, Indiana Chamber of Commerce vice president of education and workforce development, said Jenner's prior roles "are a big positive" for the business community, and will help ensure that younger Hoosiers "are prepared to pursue relevant and prosperous careers."

"The Indiana Chamber has long supported making Indiana's top education official an appointed position so the governor has someone aligned with his policy priorities in such a key role," Bearce said in a statement Thursday. "That enhanced level of cooperation and collaboration will make the state's education direction clear and allow for more impactful efforts on behalf of Indiana students."

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OBITUARIES

Peggy Davis

Delores "Peggy" Imogene Melton Davis, 90, died Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2020, at Hanover Health and Rehab Center in Hanover, Indiana.

She was born in Detroit on June 28, 1930, to Lester and Virginia Shields Melton. She was a member of Syria Christian Church and Mt. Byrd Christian Church in Milton, Kentucky, where she served as secretary of the Mt. Byrd Missionary Ladies and was involved in many youth programs, singing in the choir and cooking delicious food for church events. She was proud of her teaching degree from Indiana University Southeast and enjoyed her time teaching at Southwestern Elementary School in Hanover. She also worked at Mills Department Store in Madison, Indiana. In later years, she enjoyed making handmade jewelry and caring and cooking for her family.

Survivors include her children, Cathy Davis Ellis of Bedford, Kentucky and Joe Dee Davis of Madison; two sisters, Rose Martin and Barbara Roeder, both of Findlay, Ohio; and three grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Joe D. Davis; her brother, Frank Melton; and a sister, Rita Delehoy.

Funeral services will be at noon on Friday, Nov. 20, at Mt. Byrd Christian Church in Milton. Interment will follow at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison. Visitation is 9:30 a.m. until time of services on Friday at the church.

Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Judy Green

Judy Gail Davis Green, 71, of Madison, Indiana, died on Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, at her home.

She was born Sept. 28, 1949, in Richmond, Kentucky, to Cecil Davis and Beatrice "Bea" Long Davis. She moved to the Madison area in 1950 and was a 1967 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School. She married James L. Green on March 25, 1995 in Madison, Indiana. She worked as a bookkeeper in several offices and was an Avon representative for many years. She was a member of the Mt. Byrd Christian Church in Milton, Kentucky, and enjoyed dancing and collecting porcelain dolls, angels, and Precious Moments figurines.

Survivors include two sons, Kevin Lee Dean of Mt. Washington, Kentucky and Jeremy Scott Dean of Crossville, Tennessee; her grandchildren, Cody Dean, Trenton Dean, Austin Dean and Keith Morrow; and two great grandchildren and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband of 16 years on Nov. 22, 2011.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 23, at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison. Interment will follow in the Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, Indiana. Visitation is 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. until the time of service Monday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Shelter or the American Cancer Society. Cards are available at the funeral home. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, www.morgan-nay.com.

Clara Carrico

Clara May Campbell Carrico, 68, of Carrollton, Kentucky, died Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2020, at University Hospital in Louisville.

She was born June 11, 1952, in Oldham County, Kentucky, to Richard Edward Campbell and Jeanette Loraine Campbell. She had formerly worked in the hotel industry in the housekeeping department. She was a member of the Providence Baptist Church and a former member of the Carrollton American Legion Post No. 41 Ladies Auxiliary. She enjoyed spending time and talking to her family and friends.

Survivors include two sons, Jason Allen Carrico and Richard Ward "Zeke" Carrico, both of Carrollton; a daughter, Suzanne Michelle Carrico of Louisville; three sisters, Lucy Merriman of Manchester, Tennessee, Mary Campbell of Shelbyville, Tennessee and Doris Price of Bedford, Indiana; two brothers, Allen Campbell of Tullahoma, Tennessee and Jerry Campbell of Warsaw, Kentucky; and four grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Calvin "Chippy" Campbell.

Funeral services will be private due to current COVID-19 restrictions.

Arrangements by Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, www.tandyecklerrileyfuneralhome.com.

Bob Monroe

Robert Eugene "Bob" Monroe, 85, of Madison, Indiana, died on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, at his home. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover, www.morgan-nay.com.

Robert Lee 'Bob' Rousch

Robert Lee "Bob" Rousch, 82, of Madison, Indiana, died Thursday, Nov. 19, 2020, bat the Norton Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky.

Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover, www.morgan-nay.com.

Let Us Pause to Honor the Memory of

Mrs. Judy Gail David Green

Mrs. Judy Gail Davis Green, age 71, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on September 28, 1949 in Richmond, Kentucky. She was the loving daughter of the late Cecil Davis and Beatrice "Bea" Long Davis. She moved to the Madison area in 1950 and was a 1967 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School. She was a loving mother to two sons, Kevin Lee and Jeremy Scott. Judy married James L. Green on March 25, 1995 in Madison, Indiana and they enjoyed over 15 years together before his death. She worked as a bookkeeper in several offices and was an Avon representative for many years. She was a faithful member of the Mt. Byrd Christian Church in Milton, Kentucky and enjoyed dancing and collecting porcelain dolls, angels, and Precious Moments figurines. Judy was a loving wife, devoted daughter, beloved mom and grandma. Judy died on Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at her home in Madison, Indiana.

A LOVING FAMILY

Judy will be missed by her loving sons, Kevin Lee Dean and his wife Sarah of Mt. Washington, Kentucky, Jeremy Scott Dean and his wife Julie of Crossville, Tennessee; her loving grandchildren, Cody Dean, Trenton Dean, Austin Dean, and Keith Morrow and his wife, Nikki; her adoring great grandchildren, Madison Morrow and James Morrow; and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, Cecil Davis, died September 23, 2008, her mother, Beatrice "Bea" Long Davis, died February 28, 2019, husband of 16 years, James L. Green, died November 22, 2011.

FUNERAL CEREMONY

Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, November 23, 2020, at 11:00 a.m., by Brother Aaron Snelling at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Dupont Cemetery in Dupont, Indiana.

VISITATION

Friends may visit Sunday from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Monday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

MEMORIAL EXPRESSIONS

Memorial contributions may be made to the Jefferson County Animal Shelter or the American Cancer Society. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre's of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials www.morgan-nay.com

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In Loving Memory Of

Phyllis Joan Shipley Schreiber

Phyllis Joan Shipley Schreiber, 85, of Overland Park, KS and formerly of Madison, Indiana, died Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020.

She was born on March 31, 1935, in Madison, to Harry and Stella Shipley. She attended Methodist Nursing School and left one semester before graduating to marry the love of her life. She married Paul Edward Schreiber on March 30, 1954. She shared many memories of growing up in Madison with her kids, but one of her favorites was having lunch with her future husband of 64 years at Hinkle's.

She believed that we were put here on this earth to help others and her mantra was "God, Others, and then Self." She lived this mantra as an active, lifelong member of the American Baptist Churches of the USA. She spent nearly 70 years as a first grade Sunday School teacher and dedicated countless hours to missionary work with the American Baptist Women. She also spent 25 years as a Girl Scout leader and mentored many young women as they earned their First Class and Gold Awards. And for more than 60 years she excelled at her favorite role – that of Mom, Army Officer's wife, minister's wife and of course Muner.

She is survived by her 5 children, Cheryl Buseman and her husband Randy, Douglas Schreiber and his wife Julie, Philip Schreiber and his wife Jenni, Ruth Milberger and her husband Jay, Lori Schreiber and her husband Bill Bowsher. Grandchildren Christen, Jennifer, Rebecca, Katherine, Michelle, Brian, Sarah, Jessica, Benjamin, Lucas, Catherin, Madyson, Nikole, Patrick, Nicholas, Stephanie, Hana and Aubree. 18 great grandchildren and counting. She also leaves behind her brother, Robert Shipley. She is preceded in death by her husband Paul and three infant sons, John, David and Edward.

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RECORD

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corrections, plus court costs and fees. Upon successful completion of probation, defendant may petition court for judgment reduction to Class A misdemeanor.

Kristopher Neal Gullion, pleaded guilty to possession of methamphetamine and possession of a syringe, both Level 5 felonies, sentenced to 730 days concurrent on each charge, all suspended except for two days served, placed on 726 days probation with Jefferson County Community Corrections with first 180 days on electronic monitor plus court costs and fees.

Sean Patrick Heinze, pleaded guilty to theft, a Class A misdemeanor, sentenced to time served plus court costs and fees.

Catherine Davis, pleaded guilty to neglect of a dependent and battery, both Level 6 felonies, ordered to serve 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction, all suspended except for two days served, placed on Jefferson County Community Corrections for 541 days with no contact order for 541 days plus court costs and fees.

INFRACTIONS

Daniel Pence, Madison, paid $150 fine for driving while suspended.

Bobby Cooley, Hanover, paid $140 fine for operating vehicle without financial responsibility.

Deborah Perry, Hanover, paid $140 fine for expired plates.

William Rason, La Grange, Kentucky, paid $86.50 for speeding.

Teresa Case, Madison, paid $140 for speeding.

Justin Stephan, Madison, paid $150 for driving while suspended.

Amanda Brown, Madison, paid $140 for fishing without a license.

Brian Dalgleish, none listed, paid $140 for driving without proof of insurance.

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Should you continue to work after retiring?

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"Many retirees choose to take up a side gig or start a new full-time career after retiring. Some of the reasons for doing so might surprise you."- Steve Dybwad

While economic necessity is a not insignificant driver in the trend of seniors working in retirement, there are other reasons for doing so, which may not be as apparent.

If you are someone who is already in retirement or about to retire, should you consider starting a business, new career, or taking up a "side hustle?" What are some of the benefits of working even though you may no longer have to? Are there intangible emotional and psychological benefits of work that you can't get any other way?

Let's look at a few economic and non-economic reasons that pre-retirees and retirees decide to return to the workplace.

Help with delaying Social Security payouts. Most people are aware that delaying Social Security benefits will generally result in larger monthly distributions. Starting payments before your full retirement age could potentially reduce benefits by up to 30%. Having extra money available through a job or side gig can help you delay Social Security payouts for as long as you can. Getting more out of Social Security is one reason that seniors choose to work full or part-time during their retirement years.

Keeping the bloom on the rose. When you are still slogging to the office every day, irritating your ulcers with lousy coffee, annoying bosses, and mundane, sometimes pointless tasks, it's easy to fantasize about what life will look like once you no longer punch the clock. Those fantasies tend to fade pretty quickly once work stops, though.

Plus, one out of four Americans will live past age 90. There's a chance you'll run out of meaningful things to do at some point. Working, especially at a job that is unlike your previous career, can give you a renewed sense of purpose and motivation.

Reduce anxiety through financial stability. Even if you managed to save and invest enough to cover your necessary expenses in retirement, unexpected costs are always lurking in the background, ready to sucker punch at your most vulnerable.

Some seniors continue to work to shore up their retirement plans or pursue alternative investments and cash-producing assets.

Enhancing medical benefits. If you retire before you are eligible for Medicare, you might be in for a shock when it comes to healthcare costs. Even if you qualify for Medicare, you might discover that out-of-pocket expenses are more significant than you ever anticipated. Working a job that provides health benefits or supplemental insurance can help you fill in some of the gaps in your Medicare coverage.

They are helping loved ones. Some seniors return to the workforce to assist struggling family members, help with grandkids' college expenses, or inject cash into family businesses. In some cases, seniors may return to work because they gain custody of a grandchild or have an adult child with disabilities.

Emotional Well-Being: Senior workers are investing in their emotional and physical well-being. Many people define themselves in terms of their professions. Losing the sense of identity tied to one's career is a reason that seniors can find themselves moody, depressed, and unmotivated. They may become disengaged from life to the extent that they suffer a more rapid cognitive and physical decline. Starting a post-retirement career has demonstrated emotional, physical, and mental health benefits. Some experts have suggested that working even one year after retirement can lower the risk of dying.

Putting it into perspective: Working into retirement, starting a new business, or developing a successful "side hustle" benefits seniors in several tangible and intangible ways. Not only does the extra money earned increase financial stability but working can improve physical and emotional well-being and provide a sense of purpose and usefulness.

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INDIANA BOYS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Madison, Southwestern hope to take next step

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

Area boys basketball teams will feature an eclectic mix of squads that are on the cusp of greatness and those that are trying to return to glory.

Madison and Southwestern both have championship hopes firmly in their sights and, despite some fierce competition down the road, each could have special seasons. Shawe and Switzerland County, meanwhile, will undergo massive rebuilds after losing nearly their entire rosters. And Christian Academy of Madison continues to build its underrated profile.

A closer look at each of the five local teams:

Photos by David Campbell

Madison senior Nick Center will be one of the Cubs' driving forces this season.

Southwestern senior Matthew Williams returns to the floor for the Rebels after missing virtally his entire junior season with a knee injury.

MADISON CUBS

Despite suffering an 11-game losing streak — it's worst in 40 years — Madison still finished with 13 wins and a trip to the sectional championship game last season and is looking for more this year.

The Cubs return four starters off of that 13-13 season and have arguably their most talented roster in more than a decade. Now the key will be to put it together to make a run at the program's first sectional title since 2007.

"We hope to continue to build on the momentum that we created from last year while we continue to change the culture," second-year coach Sherron Wilkerson said. "We hope to continue to build on our identity as a tough-nosed defensive rebounding team that creates havoc for their opponents."

It's hard to pinpoint exactly whom is the Cubs' best player. Six different players led the team in scoring last year and five went for more than 20 points in a single game.

Senior Luke Miller is the leading returning scoring, averaging 15.4 points per game last season while shooting 40% from 3-point range. Sophomore point guard Kaden Oliver made a splash in his freshman year, averaging 11 points and 3.9 assists per game. Senior Luke Ommen added 10.3 points and 5.6 rebounds per game while senior Nick Center chipped in 8.6 points and 5.4 rebounds per game.

"We expect Luke (Miller) to continue to develop and lead our team to their max potential and we feel (Center) has a tremendous upside and has yet to reach his maximum potential. We have very high expectations for Nick this season," Wilkerson said. "(Ommen) has grown exponentially into a high energy guy who is a great vocal leader and also a leader who leads by example and we believe Kaden has a tremendous upside and will continue to grow into the point guard we need to compete at the state level."

Junior Jackson Falconberry (5.0 ppg, 3.8 rpg) will be the fifth starter and senior Luke Schafer brings some much-needed size off the bench. Freshman Jack Miller, Luke's little brother, will also get a chance to contribute right away.

Madison was supposed to open the season at home against Southwestern in the annual Turkey Shootout game, but that game has been moved to Jan. 22. Madison's season opener now will be at home against Jennings County on Dec. 4.

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SCHEDULES AND ROSTERS

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY DEFENDERS

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Head Coach: Adrian Carter (4th year, 54-41)

2020-21 ROSTER

Name Cl. Pos. Key Stats
Zach Gosman Sr. G 1.4 ppg
Chase Hoskins Sr. G 6.8 ppg, 4.3 rpg
Judd Nickell Sr. G First Varsity Season
Brent Renfro Sr. G 1.0 ppg
Isaac Ross Sr. G 1.0 ppg
Clay Carter Jr. G 13.6 ppg, 4.1 apg
Adin Gamble Jr. G 2.7 ppg, 2.4 rpg
Jaxon Miller Jr. F 5.0 ppg, 5.5 rpg
Lane Yoder Jr. G First Varsity Season
Micah Jackinowski So. F 1.5 ppg
Elijah Kummer Fr. First Varsity Season

2020-21 SCHEDULE

Date Opponent Time

Nov. 13 CORNERSTONE W50-30
Nov. 20 at Micah Christian 6 p.m.
Nov. 21 PLEASANT VIEW 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 24 ASSUMPTION 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 4 at Switzerland Co. 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 5 at Cannelton1 p.m.
Dec. 7 SHAWE 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 at Horizon Christian 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 14 COLUMBUS HAWKS 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28-29 Columbus Holiday Tourney TBA
Jan. 8 COLUMBUS CHRISTIAN7:30 p.m.
Jan. 9 CROTHERSVILLE 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 15-16 SRC Tourney @ EC TBA
Jan. 22-23 Pleasant View Tourney TBA
Jan. 26 ASSUMPTION 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 29 UNION (DUGGER)7:30 p.m.
Jan. 30 at Evansville Christian4:30 p.m.
Feb. 2 at Cornerstone 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 5-6 Danville, Ky. Tourney TBA
Feb. 13 at Medora7:30 p.m.
Feb. 19 ICSAA Regionals TBA
-SRC Games

MADISON CUBS

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Head Coach: Sherron Wilkerson (2nd year, 13-13; 19-48 overall)

2020-21 ROSTER

Name Cl. Pos. Key Stats
Nick Center Sr. G 8.6 ppg, 5.4 rpg
Parker Jones Sr. F 2.8 ppg, 1.6 rpg
Luke Miller Sr. G 15.4 ppg, 40% 3-Pt
Luke Ommen Sr. G 10.3 ppg, 5.6 rpg
Carson Roark Sr. G 0.6 ppg
Luke Schafer Sr. C 1.5 ppg, 1.2 rpg
Jackson Falconberry Jr. F 5.0 rpg, 3.8 rpg
Andrew Scroggins Jr. G 3.1 ppg
Kaden Oliver So. G 11.0 ppg, 3.9 apg
Jack Miller Fr. G First Varsity Season

2020-21 SCHEDULE

Date Opponent Time
Dec. 4 JENNINGS CO.7:30 p.m.
Dec. 5 CORYDON 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 at South Dearborn 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 18 at Bedford N.L.7:30 p.m.
Dec. 19 AUSTIN 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 29-30 JCIT @ SW TBA
Jan. 8 SCOTTSBURG 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 9 at Charlestown 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 15 at New Albany7:30 p.m.
Jan. 22 SOUTHWESTERN 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23 at Floyd Central7:30 p.m.
Jan. 29 SILVER CREEK 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 30 at North Harrison 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 4 SEYMOUR7:30 p.m.
Feb. 6 at Batesville 1:30 p.m.
Feb. 11 at Lawrenceburg 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13 GREENSBURG 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 19 COLUMBUS EAST7:30 p.m.
Feb. 20 TRINITY LUTHERAN 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 23 JEFFERSONVILLE7:30 p.m.
Feb. 25 SWITZERLAND CO. 7:30 p.m.
-HHC games

SHAWE HILLTOPPERS

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Head Coach: Dan Hambrick (2nd year, 9-14; 75-61 overall)

2020-21 ROSTER

Name Cl. Pos. Key Stats
Gage Dermon Sr. G First Varsity Season
Grayson May Sr. F 8.3 ppg. 4.1 rpg
Louis Liu Jr. G First Varsity Season
Christian Whitham Jr. G First Varsity Season
Davis Grote So. G First Varsity Season
Eric Liu So. G First Varsity Season
Wyatt Nichter So. G First Varsity Season
Eli Turner So. G First Varsity Season
Sam Fewell Fr. G First Varsity Season
Jacob Hertz Fr. G First Varsity Season
Philip Kahn Fr. G First Varsity Season
Charlie Liter Fr. G First Varsity Season

2020-21 SCHEDULE

Date Opponent Time

Dec. 1 JAC-CEN-DEL7:30 p.m.
Dec. 2 MEDORA 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 4 at Southwestern7:30 p.m.
Dec. 7 at Madison Christian 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 at South Ripley7:30 p.m.
Dec. 12 at New Washington 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 18 CROTHERSVILLE 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 22 at Borden 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28 at Cannelton 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 2 at Edinburgh 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 8 OLDENBURG 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 9 at Providence 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 15 at Trinity Lutheran 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 22 COLUMBUS CHRISTIAN 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 29 RISING SUN7:30 p.m.
Feb. 4 at Christian Academy 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 6 INDIANA DEAF 2:30 p.m.
Feb. 12 at Switzerland Co.7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13 at Trimble Co. 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 16 CORNERSTONE 7 p.m.
Feb. 19 ROCK CREEK 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 23 MILAN7:30 p.m.
-ORVC games

SOUTHWESTERN REBELS

SOUTHWESTERN REBELS

Head Coach: Zac Nussbaum (2nd year, 3-2)

2020-21 ROSTER

Name Cl. Pos. Key Stats
Isaac Brown Sr. G First Varsity Season
Billy Eccles Sr. G 11.4 ppg, 2.4 rpg
Austin Kramer Sr. G 13.5 ppg, 5.1 rpg, 4.9 apg
Foster Mefford Sr. G 21.3 ppg, 6.0 rpg, 6.0 apg
Matthew Williams Sr. F 14.5 ppg, 4.0 rpg
Colton Cloud Jr. G 1.3 ppg
Zach Cole Jr. F 10.4 ppg, 5.1 rpg
Parker Davis Jr. CFirst Varsity Season
Bryce Hatton Jr. F 0.8 ppg
Mitch Mingione Jr. G 0.0 ppg
Hunter Wiseman Jr. F First Varsity Season
Jordan DeAtley So. G 0.0 ppg
Jamari Johnson So. G First Varsity Season
Daylan Konkle So. G First Varsity Season
Claytin Sontag So. G First Varsity Season
Peyton Cloud Fr. G First Varsity Season
Alex Hitchcock Fr. G First Varsity Season
Jamison Lewis Fr. G First Varsity Season
Matt Mingione Fr. G First Varsity Season
Gage Ponder Fr. G First Varsity Season
William Stockdale Fr. G First Varsity Season
Isaac Watson Fr. G First Varsity Season

2020-21 SCHEDULE

Date Opponent Time

Dec. 4 SHAWE7:30 p.m.
Dec. 5 COLUMBUS EAST 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 at New Washington 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 18 at Jac-Cen-Del7:30 p.m.
Dec. 19 CLARKSVILLE 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28-29 JCIT TBA
Jan. 5 at Providence 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 8 at South Decatur 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12 at New Albany 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 15 SWITZERLAND CO.7:30 p.m.
Jan. 22 at Madison 7:30 p.m.

SWITZERLAND COUNTY PACERS

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Head Coach: Travis Wrightsman (1st year; 264-159 overall)

2020-21 ROSTER

Name Cl. Pos. Key Stats
Mason Covington Sr. G
Nate Geyman Sr. F 0.5 ppg
Zach Stout Sr. G First Varsity Season
Braydan Allen Jr. F First Varsity Season
Austin Bowsaw Jr. G First Varsity Season
Ben Hicks Jr. G 2.8 ppg
Cole Riley Jr. G First Varsity Season
Colton Tolbert Jr. G First Varsity Season
Bryce Turner Jr. G First Varsity Season
Bryce Wrightsman Jr. G First Varsity Season
Jacob Williams Fr. G First Varsity Season

2020-21 SCHEDULE

Date Opponent Time

Nov. 28 at Austin 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 4 MADISON CHRISTIAN 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 5 CROTHERSVILLE 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 11 at Rising Sun 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 12 LAWRENCEBURG 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 18 TRINITY LUTHERAN 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 19 at Hauser 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28-29 JCIT @ SW TBA
Jan. 7-9 Rivertown @ SD TBA
Jan. 15 at Southwestern7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16 at South Ripley7:30 p.m.
Jan. 22 RISING SUN7:30 p.m.
Jan. 29 at New Washington 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 30 at Milan7:30 p.m.
Feb. 4 CLARKSVILLE 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 12 SHAWE7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13 HENRYVILLE 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 19 JAC-CEN-DEL7:30 p.m.
Feb. 20 SOUTH DEARBORN 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 25 at Madison 7:30 p.m.
-ORVC games

Kentucky pushes start of basketball season to January

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

The start of the winter sports season in Kentucky has been pushed back to Jan. 4 due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The KHSAA Board of Control voted Wednesday afternoon to make the move in light of increasing numbers of coronavirus cases across the Commonwealth in the past few weeks. All practices were to cease by 5 p.m. on Friday and can resume on Dec. 14. The state basketball tournament will likely be pushed back two weeks to accommodate the change.

The football season will not be affected and the playoffs are expected to continue as planned.

"Our Board has remained steadfast in their support for the spring sports and sport-activities in 2021 and continues to attempt during these challenging times to ensure these athletes, coaches, and schools have a full and complete season with an appropriate culminating event," said KHSAA Commissioner Julian Tackett. "We should never forget the sacrifices made by all involved during the spring of 2020 and that has remained at the forefront of Board discussions. The currently approved action would shorten the winter seasons but the Board and staff continue to recognize that during these pandemic times, there will be nearly constant changes in the operations around education and school-based sport."

Carroll County and Trimble County were both scheduled to open their basketball seasons next week, highlighted by a Thanksgiving Eve boys-girls doubleheader. Now. both schools will begin their seasons on Jan. 4, the same day as the All "A" Classic Eighth Region Tournaments were set to begin.

Kentucky's postponement is not the only change local schools have seen over the past week. Shawe's girls are expected to finally open the season on Saturday after being forced to isolate while Southwestern's girls have been shut down since Nov. 5 because of

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FOOD & CLOTHING

GIVEAWAYS

Food Giveaway
North Madison Christian Church
Saturday, Nov. 21
(Canceled because of COVID-19)

A monthly food distribution from at the church, located at 1400 East State Road 62 just across the road from King's Daughters' Hospital. No ID is required and event is open to anyone..

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Trinity Methodist Church, Madison
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Tuesdays & Fridays

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Monthly — Second Monday
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Veterans Parade
at Prince of Peace Catholic Schools
Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 2 p.m.

Shawe Memorial High School and Pope John Elementary will host a rescheduled Veterans Day Parade to honor all veterans. Veterans should begin gathering in the St. Patrick's Church parking lot after 1:30 p.m. Bottled water will be available for any veteran or participant. The Shawe Band of Gold will perform with the parade circling the schools and then heading heading down Hanging Rock Hill and up Main Street where local residents can turn out to show their appreciation to the men and women who have served our country.

BLOOD DRIVE

American Red Cross

The region's blood supply, already challenged by the coronavirus pandemic, is even further depleted during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday seasons as donations normally slow while the need never pauses.There are several donation opportunities over the next few weeks including:

Jefferson County, Indiana

Hanover College/Jefferson County Public Library, 420 West Main St. Madison, Nov. 19 from 1-6 p.m.

American Legion Post 9, 707 Jefferson St., Madison, Nov. 24 from 1-6 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church, 2632 Michigan Road, Madison, Nov. 24 from 2-7 p.m.

Trimble County

Milton Fire and Rescue Station 2, 25 Volunteer Drive, Bedford, Kentucky, Nov. 30, from 2-6 p.m.

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10 a.m.
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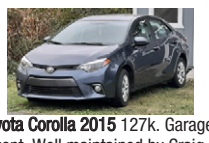

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IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
MAXINE ROBERTS, Deceased.

CAUSE NO. 39C01-201 I-EU-00085

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Notice is hereby given that Norman Roberts was, on the 4th day of November, 2020, appointed personal representative of the estate of Maxine Roberts, deceased, and is serving as personal representative of the decedent's estate, and was authorized to proceed under unsupervised administration.

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DATED at Madison, Indiana November 5 2020

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IN THE JEFFERSON COUNTY COURT
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IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF GERALD FEATHERSSTONE, Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Amy Mabry, was, on the 10th day of November, 2020, appointed personal representative of the estate of Gerald Featherstone, deceased, and is serving as personal representative of the decedent's estate, and was authorized to proceed under unsupervised administration.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not due now, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claim will be forever barred.

DATED at Madison, Indiana 11/12/20

----------/s/----------
Clerk of the Circuit Court
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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★☆

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HOW TO PLAY:
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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2	1	4	6	5	8	9	3	7
3	6	7	9	4	1	8	5	2

CELEBRITY CIPHER
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

"O CXZ'L NTYB WXY LGB SVUON JGBZ LGBI'YB LTEFOZP ATC TAXVL JXSBZ ... JXSBZ TYB PXC'U PYBTLBUL POWL LX LGB KETZBL." – A.A. FOZP

Previous Solution: "Elvis could play a mean rhythm guitar himself, and needed no other musicians to perform a great song." – Pete Townshend

TODAY'S CLUE: A = spenbe I

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"AFFRA HCY GCVAY LCP C IXRKCS PXDASGASJ. C KSXA HRSKXJPJ. C PKXYYRYIVZ IJJF UXPRBRCY CYF BJUDJPAS." — TJGY UCZAS

Previous Solution: "I don't care for the music when they're talking bad about women ... women are God's greatest gift to the planet." – B.B. King

TODAY'S CLUE: A = spenbe H

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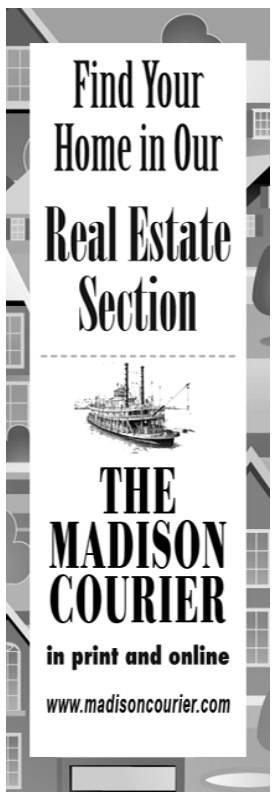

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SATURDAY EVENING

	Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3 WAVE	6	2	News	News	Secret	Game	★★★ "The Croods" (2013) CC				Sat. Night Live		News
4 WTTV	4		College Football		Game	Theory	NCIS: N.O.		48 Hours CC		48 Hours (N)		News
5 WLWT	2		News 5 at 6:00		News	Let's	★★★ "The Croods" (2013) CC				Sat. Night Live		News
8 WISH	12		News	Fam	Ent. Tonight		Castle CC		Castle CC		News 8 at 10PM		News
9 WCPO	23		Football	Football	Football	College Football Oklahoma State at Oklahoma. (N) (Live)							News
11 WHAS	11	4	Football	Football	Football	College Football Oklahoma State at Oklahoma. (N) (Live)							News
15 WKPC	13		Lawrence Welk		Farmer	Red ...	KY Life	K'tucky	★★★★ "West Side Story" (1961) CC				
19 WXIX	10		College Football			Update	College Football Arizona at Washington. (N) (Live)						
32 WLKY	5	5	College Football		Wheel	J'pardy!	NCIS: N.O.		48 Hours CC		48 Hours (N)		News
34 WBKI	7	7	NCIS CC (DVS)		Storm of Susp		Weather Viral		Two	Two	WDRB News		Broke
41 WDRB	8	9	College Football			Update	College Football Arizona at Washington. (N) (Live)						
A&E	28	36	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC	29	26	★★ "Four Christmases" (2008)				"National Lamp. Christmas"				"Nat'l-Christmas"		
COM	45	59	(5:30) ★★ "We're the Millers" CC				★★ "Step Brothers" (2008) Will Ferrell. CC				South Park CC		
DISC	31	38	Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Dirty Jobs CC		Jobs
DISN	25	29	Raven	Gabby Duran		Big City	Special	Big City	Big City	Big City	Aveng	Big City	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	44	Football	Scores	College Football Tennessee at Auburn. (N) CC						Scores	College Football	
FREE	18	40	"Min	(:40) ★★ "Despicable Me 3"				(:45) "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas"					
FX	40	28	(5:30) ★★★ "Sing" (2016) CC				★★★ "Trolls" (2016) CC				★★★ "Trolls" (2016)		
HBO	201	17	(5:45) ★★ "Battleship" (2012)				Between the World & Me		(:25) ★★ "Underwater"				World-
MAX	270	73	"John Wick 3"		Warrior	(:45) ★★ "Rambo" (2008) CC			(:20) ★★★ "8 Mile" (2002)				Warrior
PARMT	35	41	Yellowstone		Yellowstone		Yellowstone		(:02) Yellowstone		(:04) Yellowstone		Yel
SHOW	221	16	"Robin Hood"		The Reagans		Good Lord Bird		★★★ "First Reformed" (2017) CC				"Gen
TMC	233	74	"Semper Fi"		★★ "S.W.A.T." (2003) CC				"Hood Rat" (2001) CC			"Dead Ant"	
TNT	27	43	"Jingle All Way"		"A Madea Christmas"				"A Madea Christmas"				"Call
USA	26	33	"Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn"				"The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2"				"Twilight"		
WGN-A	20	20	Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		News

SUNDAY EVENING

	Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3 WAVE	6	2	News	News	Football Night in America		NFL Football: Chiefs at Raiders						
4 WTTV	4		News	News	60 Minutes (N)		NCIS: LA		NCIS: N.O.		NCIS "Requiem"		News
5 WLWT	2		News	News	Football Night in America		NFL Football: Chiefs at Raiders						
8 WISH	12		News	Fam	NCIS: N.O.		Pandora (N) CC		The Outpost (N)		News	Sports	News
9 WCPO	23		News	ABC	Funny Videos		2020 American Music Awards (N) (Live) CC						News
11 WHAS	11	4	ABC	News	Funny Videos		2020 American Music Awards (N) (Live) CC						News
15 WKPC	13		Wine	Keep	Shakespeare		Trouble-Maggie		Roadkill-Master		Secrets		Separa
19 WXIX	10		NFL Football			The OT	Simp	Bless	Burgers	Family	FOX19		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	News	60 Minutes (N)		NCIS: LA		NCIS: N.O.		NCIS "Requiem"		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Last	Last	Theory	Theory	Pandora (N) CC		The Outpost (N)		Storm of Susp		Gone
41 WDRB	8	9	NFL Football			The OT	Simp	Bless	Burgers	Family	WDRB News		The
A&E	28	36	(5:30) "The Bourne Ultimatum"				★★ "Jack Reacher: Never Go Back" (2016)				"Magnificent"		
AMC	29	26	(5:42) ★★★ "John Wick" (2014)				Fear Walking		Fear Walking		Walking Dead		Talk
COM	45	59	(5:35) ★★ "Step Brothers" (2008)				★ "Grown Ups 2" (2013) CC				(:15) ★ "Grown Ups 2"		
DISC	31	38	Alaska		Alaska		Alaska: The Last Frontier (N) CC				Off the Grid		Off Grid
DISN	25	29	Big City	Special	★★★ "Wonder" (2017) CC				Raven	Just	Special	Bunk'd	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	44	SportsCenter (N)		SportC	MLS Soccer					MLS Soccer		
FREE	18	40	"Dr.	(:45) ★★★ "Home Alone" (1990) CC					(:15) "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"				
FX	40	28	(5:30) "Pitch Perfect 3"			★★ "Night School" (2018) Kevin Hart. CC					Fargo "Happy"		Fargo
HBO	201	17	Between the World & Me		(:20) ★★ "Underwater"				The Undoing (N)		Middle Beach		Undo
MAX	270	73	"View	(:25) ★★ "Halloween II"			★★ "Unforgettable"			"Abraham Lincoln: Vampire"			
PARMT	35	41	Yellowstone		Yellowstone		(:05) Yellowstone		(:07) Yellowstone		(:04) Yellowstone		Yel
SHOW	221	16	Good Lord Bird		The Reagans		The Reagans (N)		"Belushi" (2020) John Landis. CC				Moon
TMC	233	74	"God	★★ "Forsaken" (2015)			★★★ "Thirteen Days" (2000) Kevin Costner.				"Waterworld"		
TNT	27	43	"Pirates of the Caribbean"				★★★ "Avengers: Infinity War" (2018) CC (DVS)						"Pir
USA	26	33	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Mod
WGN-A	20	20	Last	Last	Last	Last	NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		News

MONDAY EVENING

	Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3 WAVE	6	2	News	News	News	News	The Voice (N) CC				Weakest Link		News
4 WTTV	4		News	CBS	Theory	Theory	Neigh	Bob	All Rise (N) CC		Bull (N) CC		News
5 WLWT	2		News	News	Holly	Extra	The Voice (N) CC				Weakest Link		News
8 WISH	12		News 8 at 6PM		Inside	ET	Gilmore Girls: A Year in the Life				News 8 at 10PM		News
9 WCPO	23		News	ABC	News	The List	Dancing With the Stars CC				Good Doctor		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	ABC	ET	Inside	Dancing With the Stars CC				Good Doctor		News
15 WKPC	13		Com	News	PBS NewsHour		Kentucky Ton.		Forgotten Slave		Independent Lens		
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	J'pardy!	L.A.'s Finest (N)		Filthy Rich (N)		FOX19		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBS	Wheel	J'pardy!	Neigh	Bob	All Rise (N) CC		Bull (N) CC		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Last	Last	Mod	Theory	Gilmore Girls: A Year in the Life				Theory	Creek	Two
41 WDRB	8	9	News	News	Judge	Judge	L.A.'s Finest (N)		Filthy Rich (N)		WDRB News		News
A&E	28	36	The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		The First 48 CC		(:01) The First 48		The
AMC	29	26	"Willy Wonka & Chocolate"				★★★ "Elf" (2003) Will Ferrell. CC				★★★ "Elf" (2003) CC		
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	(:45) The Office	Office	Office	Office		Office	Office	Daily
DISC	31	38	Outlaws: Fast		Outlaws: Fast		Street Outlaws: Fastest in America (N) CC						Kaplan
DISN	25	29	(5:00) "Wonder"	Fam	Fam		Fam	Fam	Special	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Sydney
ESPN	32	44	Monday Night Countdown (N) CC				NFL Football: Rams at Buccaneers						Sports
FREE	18	40	"Princess 2"		(6:50) ★★★ "Inside Out" (2015)				(8:55) "The Secret Life of Pets"				700
FX	40	28	(5:30) ★★ "Halloween" (2018) CC				Black Narcissus		(:15) Black Narcissus (N)			Black Narcissus	
HBO	201	17	Undo		(:45) ★★ "Godzilla: King of the Monsters"				His Dark Mat.		Industry (N) CC		Axios
MAX	270	73	(:05) ★★ "The Kingdom" (2007)				Warrior	(:45) ★ "Equilibrium" (2002)				(:35) "Asylum"	
PARMT	35	41	Two	★★★ "Independence Day" (1996) Will Smith.					★★★ "Independence Day" (1996)				
SHOW	221	16	"21 Bridges"		The Reagans		"Belushi" (2020) John Landis.				★★ "Shaft" (2000)		
TMC	233	74	(5:30) ★★★ "Marley" (2012)				★★ "Larry Crowne"		(:40) ★★ "Morning Glory" (2010)				
TNT	27	43	(5:45) ★★★ "Avengers: Infinity War" (2018, Action)				★★★ "Smallfoot" (2018) Premiere.						"Sher
USA	26	33	Chicago P.D.		Chicago P.D.		WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live) CC						Miz &
WGN-A	20	20	Last	Last	Last	Last	NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		News

ACROSS

1 Basilica area
5 Untidy
10 Large sedan
14 — — for the money
15 Dull surface
16 Imported cheese
17 Malarkey
18 Skin softener
19 Roman marketplaces
20 Garden mollusk
22 Jesse Ventura, once
24 Ember
27 Rounded handle
28 Wonder
32 Future officer
36 Search engine find
37 Pleasure boat
39 Rascal
40 Nile wader
42 A drinking toast
44 "Fish Magic" artist
45 Cracker spreads
47 Clay-target sport
49 — Arbor, Mich.
50 Kind of thief
51 Acute mental discernment
53 The very essence
56 Twig juncture
57 Excited
61 Pack rat
65 Ambition
66 Whitish gems
69 Arid
70 Throw hard
71 "Walk Away —"
72 Texas, to Yves
73 Places of refuge
74 Military physician
75 Be too fond

DOWN

1 Robins' beaks
2 Well-known auth.
3 Entry permit
4 System of values
5 XXI times C
6 Flair for music
7 Seethe
8 Severely simple
9 Sheba, today
10 Cultural district of Paris (2 wds.)
11 Rock star, maybe
12 Paddock occupant
13 Actor Epps
21 House sites
23 Wind indicator
25 Runs a fever
26 Gets a load of
28 Witty remarks
29 Of cities
30 In crowd
31 Small alcoves
33 Tibet's — Lama
34 Occurrence
35 Smaller than small
38 Joyous outburst
41 Shore birds
43 Toy building block
46 Mini-play
48 Little kids
52 Came to an end
54 Blizzard
55 Indian dwelling
57 Turkish official
58 Late afternoon
59 A songbird
60 McNally partner
62 Turn thumbs down on
63 Was, to Ovid
64 Solar plexus
67 Luau souvenir
68 Just a —!

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

A	W	A	R	E	■	B	R	A	D	S	■	F	E	Z
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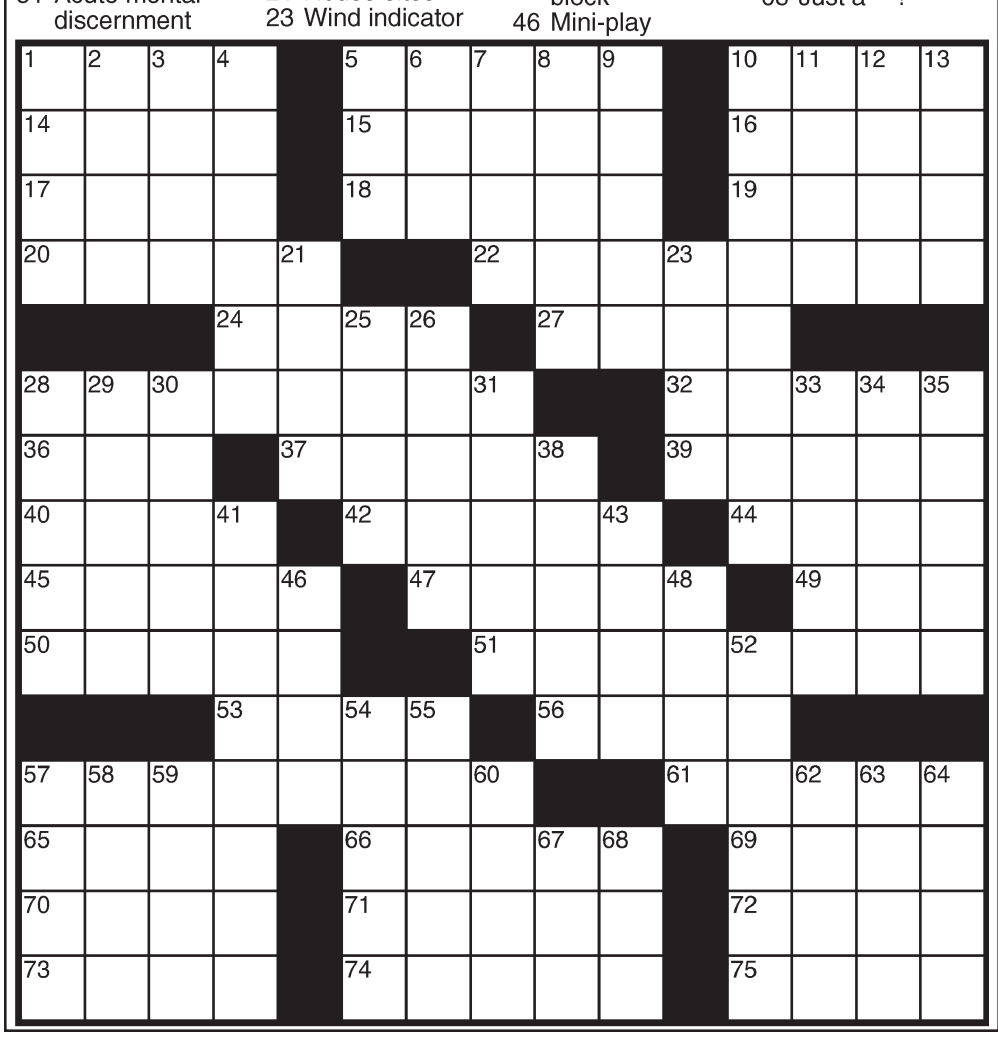

ACROSS

1 Where elephants are
5 Mr. Eban
9 No-seats sign
12 Lean against
13 Jumbo
15 Beg pardon!
16 Study hard
17 Scratchy
18 Old Norse poem
19 Tahini base
21 Scorn
23 Tints
25 Flower
26 Top seed's reward
29 Goddess of victory
31 Small domestic fowl
35 Really impress
36 True inner self
38 It may be good or bad
39 Skippers' OKs
41 Water birds
43 Cougar's home
44 Standards
46 Catty
48 Co.
49 Fall upon
51 Foggy
52 Also
53 Dress fastener
55 Playwright — Coward
57 Superior (hyph.)
61 Close
65 Hideous monster
66 Small farm
68 Bartok or Lugosi
69 Put on board
70 Phone answerer's greeting
71 Poet's black
72 Like a desert
73 Zest for life
74 Be without

DOWN

1 Skips past commercials
2 "Peter and the Wolf" duck
3 Mine and thine
4 Place
5 Consenting
6 Publicity info
7 Modem-speed unit
8 Fury
9 Feng —
10 Nevada town
11 Augury
14 Vibrate
15 Ammo dump
20 Feathered talker
22 Ms. Dinesen
24 Starry vistas
26 Safari leader
27 Simple toys (hyph.)
28 Pitchers
30 Correct
32 Genetic factor
33 Organic acid
34 A Polo
37 From Bangkok
40 Broke to bits
42 Oilers' city
45 Trig function
47 Fencer's blade
50 Pine cousin
54 Thick liquid
56 Price tag
57 Conduct a meeting
58 Russian epic hero
59 Squirrel color
60 Survey
62 McEntire of country
63 Alliance
64 Tug sharply
67 Gulf st.

PREVIOUS PUZZLE SOLVED

N	A	V	E	■	M	E	S	S	Y	■	L	I	M	O
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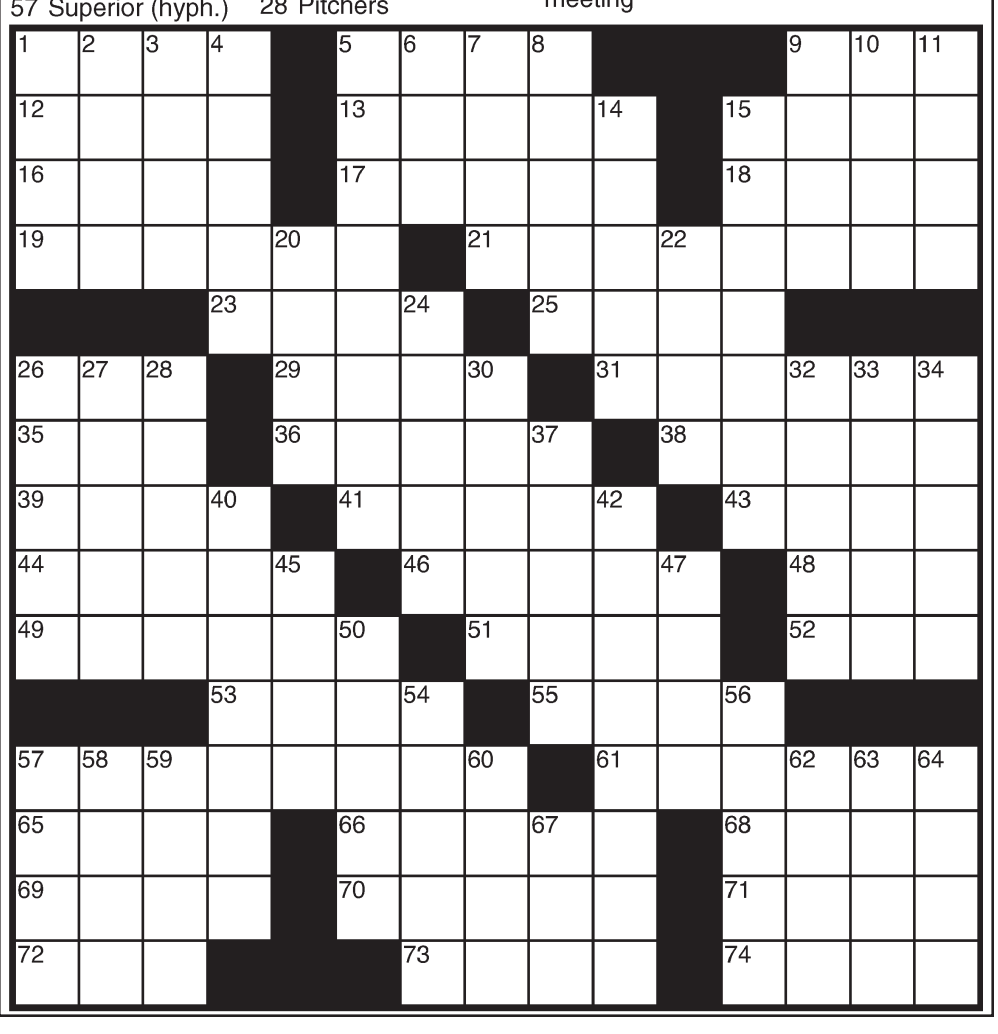

BEETLE BAILEY

I WANT YOU TO PICK UP MY JEEP FROM THE REPAIR SHOP
AND IT BETTER COME BACK WITHOUT A SCRATCH OR ELSE!
DON'T YOU THINK THIS IS OVERKILL?
IT'S BETTER THAN BEING KILLED!
GREG + MORT WALKER
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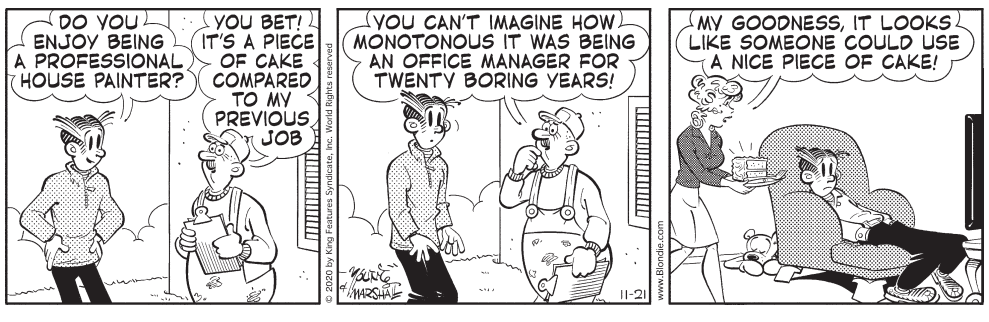
DO YOU ENJOY BEING A PROFESSIONAL HOUSE PAINTER?
YOU BET! IT'S A PIECE OF CAKE COMPARED TO MY PREVIOUS JOB
YOU CAN'T IMAGINE HOW MONOTONOUS IT WAS BEING AN OFFICE MANAGER FOR TWENTY BORING YEARS!
MY GOODNESS, IT LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE COULD USE A NICE PIECE OF CAKE!
DENIS LEBRUN & JERRY SCOTT
DOUG MARSHALL
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HI & LOIS

YOU PROMISED ME YOU WOULD RAKE LEAVES THIS AFTERNOON.
DON'T TRY TO MAKE ME FEEL GUILTY. YOU'RE THE ONE WHO'S BEEN PLAYING GOLF ALL DAY.
ERIC REYNOLDS
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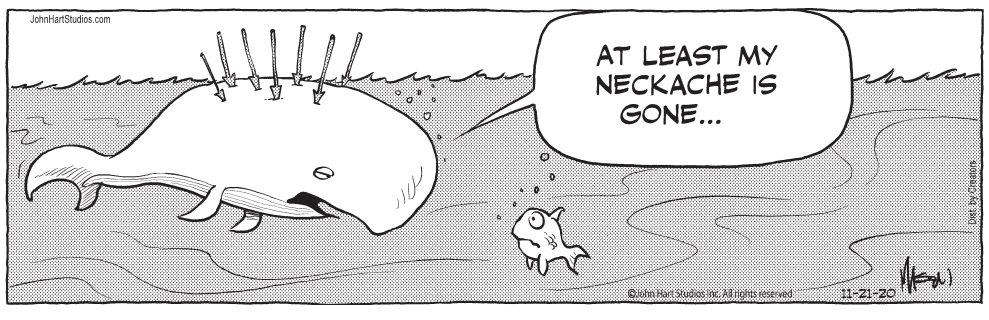

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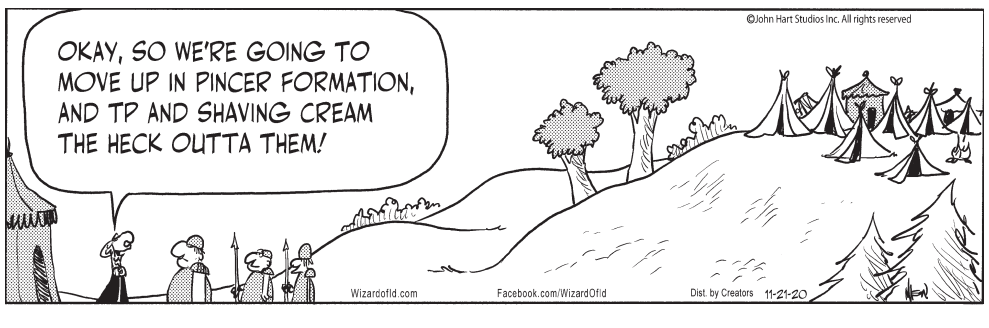
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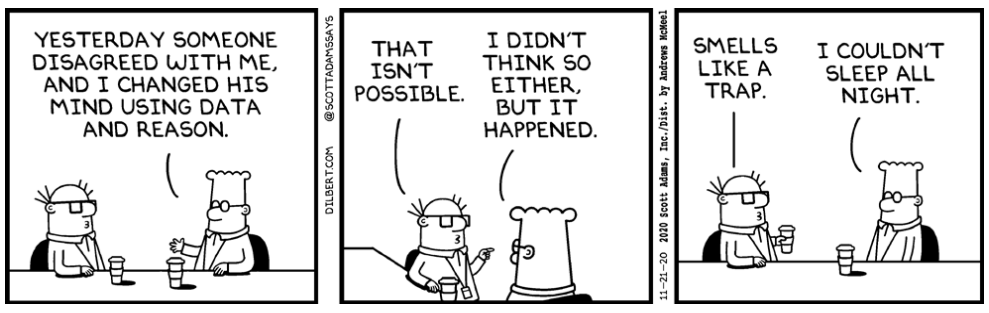
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THAT ISN'T POSSIBLE.
I DIDN'T THINK SO EITHER, BUT IT HAPPENED.
SMELLS LIKE A TRAP.
I COULDN'T SLEEP ALL NIGHT.
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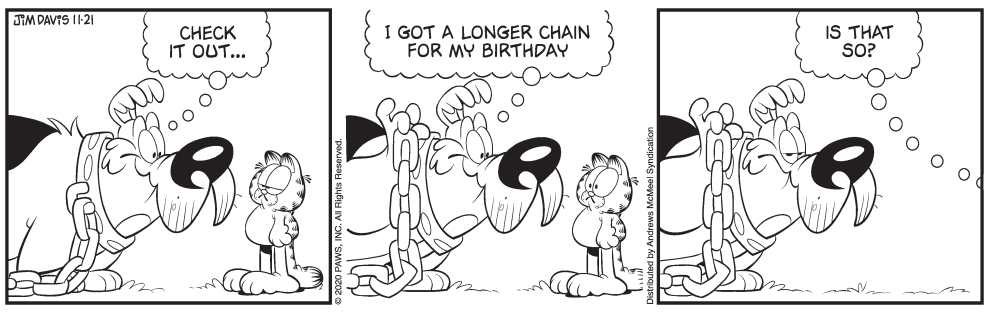
JIM DAVIS 11-21
CHECK IT OUT...
I GOT A LONGER CHAIN FOR MY BIRTHDAY
IS THAT SO?
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FORT KNOX

I'D LIKE TO SETTLE MY DEBT, KURT.
IT'S TOO LATE.
PLEASE JUST LET ME PAY IT!!
I CAN'T.
SO WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO??
THANK HER FOR PAYING IT.
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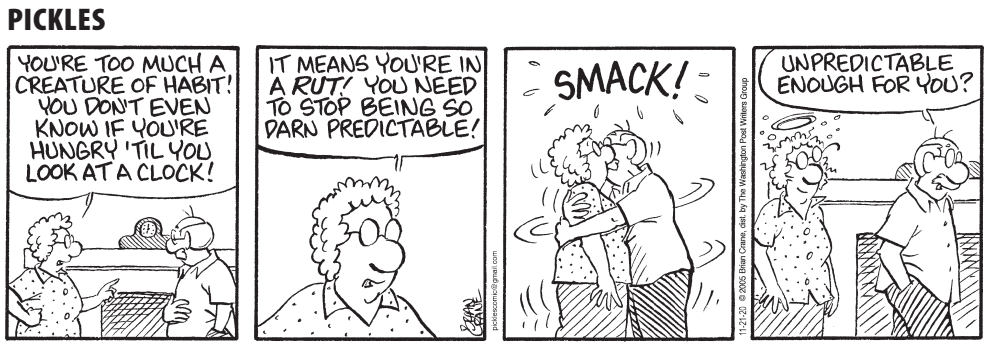
YOU'RE TOO MUCH A CREATURE OF HABIT! YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW IF YOU'RE HUNGRY 'TIL YOU LOOK AT A CLOCK!
IT MEANS YOU'RE IN A RUT! YOU NEED TO STOP BEING SO DARN PREDICTABLE!
SMACK!
UNPREDICTABLE ENOUGH FOR YOU?
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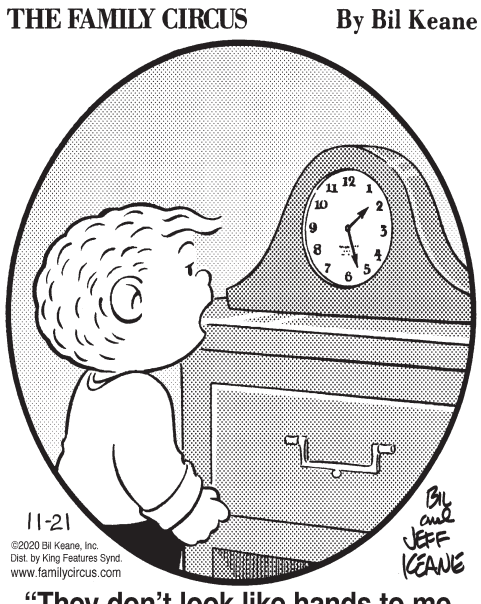
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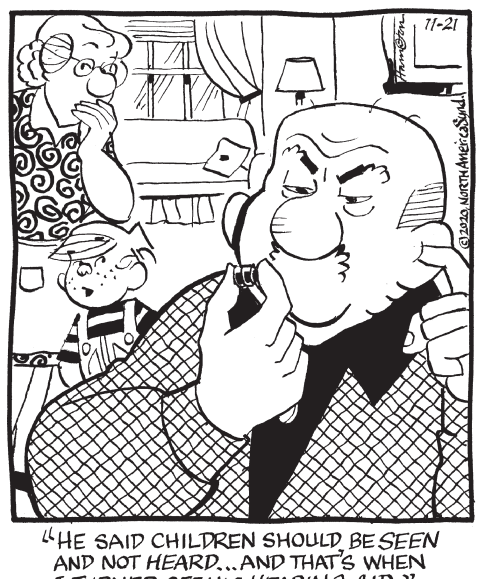
"They don't look like hands to me. They look like ARROWS."

DENNIS THE MENACE



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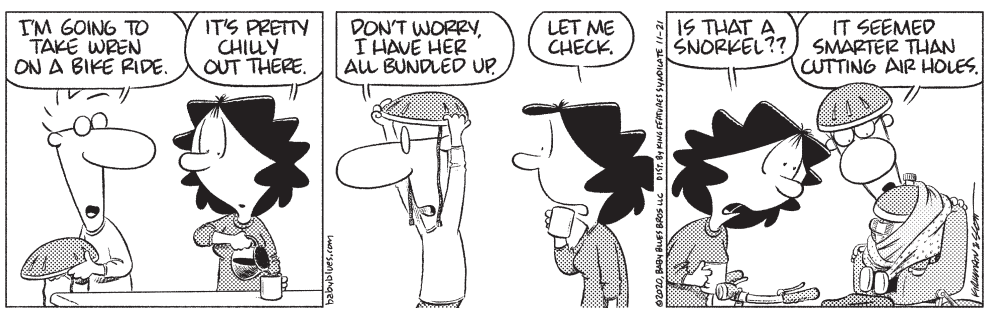
I'M GOING TO TAKE WREN ON A BIKE RIDE.
IT'S PRETTY CHILLY OUT THERE.
DON'T WORRY, I HAVE HER ALL BUNDLED UP.
LET ME CHECK.
IS THAT A SNORKEL??
IT SEEMED SMARTER THAN CUTTING AIR HOLES.
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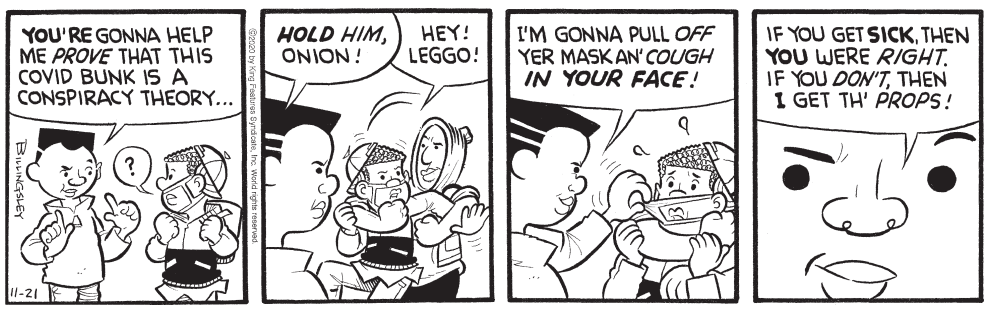
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HOLD HIM, ONION!
HEY! LEGGO!
I'M GONNA PULL OFF YER MASK AN' COUGH IN YOUR FACE!
IF YOU GET SICK, THEN YOU WERE RIGHT. IF YOU DON'T, THEN I GET TH' PROPS!
BUNNINGSLEY
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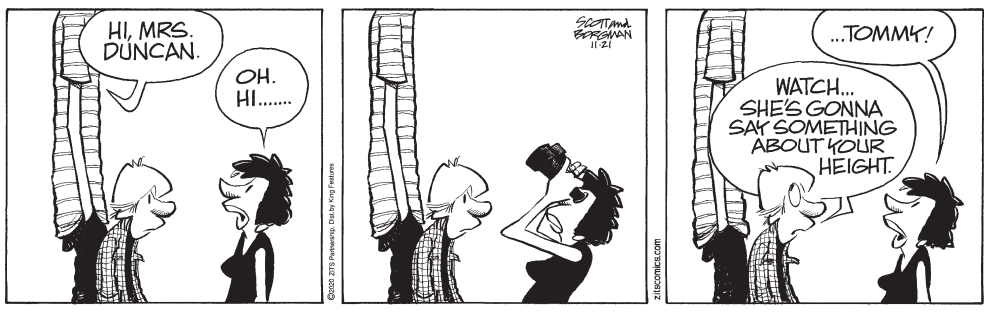


Unmotivated grown children

ANNIE **LANE**
DEAR ANNIE

Dear Annie: I have two grown children living at home. Both are disrespectful to me and to my husband. I feel obligated to allow them to live here since they don't have anywhere to go, stable jobs or means of transportation. How can I get rid of them and move on with my life? — Tired of Carrying Grown Children

Dear Tired of Carrying: Let them stand on their own two feet. Ask your son and daughter to start paying rent or to find their own places. If you feel guilty, as though that's too much to ask, then just imagine if you were in their shoes: Would you expect your mom and dad to pay your way well into your 20s and 30s? I think not.

They are grown adults capable of taking care of themselves. By letting them find that out, you'll be doing them a favor in the long run.

Dear Annie: I contracted genital herpes 35 years ago when a sex partner failed to tell me he had this virus. Over time, outbreaks became shorter, less frequent and virtually painless. Based on talks with others with GH, this is typical of the virus' progression. Most claim that the worst thing about having GH is confessing this to a prospective sex partner. I did this recently.

"Kenny" and I dated briefly 44 years ago, and then parted to lead separate lives while on active duty. He called me out of the blue last summer, and we began talking and texting every day. We believed we had a lot in common and might someday be together. He regularly expressed his affection for me and often told me how happy he was that we have reconnected, albeit from 600 miles away.

I was amazed and grateful. I really believed I'd found a man who was so happy to have me in his life again that he'd stay with me through thick and thin. Wrong!

During a talk about our childhood viral diseases, I made the excruciatingly difficult decision to tell him I had GH. His response was, "Oh, wow!" Then silence, followed by a change of subject. We hung up, and he has not called me or answered my calls since. I am so broken-hearted. Kenny effectively told me that my having GH negated every single good quality that he saw in me.

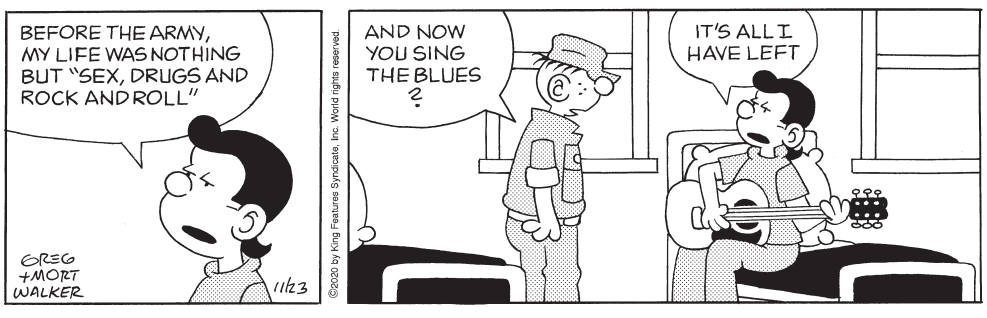
So Annie, what do you say to people like me who do the right thing and to people like Kenny who are on the receiving end of this news? There are a lot of us out there who have GH. — Rejected

Dear Rejected: To those on the receiving end of this news, I'd say keep an open mind. HSV-2 is more common than you'd think. In the United States, more than 1 in 6 people between the ages of 14 and 49 have genital herpes, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. HSV-1 (which causes oral herpes) is even more prevalent, infecting around two-thirds of the global population, according to the World Health Organization. There are many ways to have a safe and fulfilling sex life despite a herpes diagnosis.

To those who have been rejected after sharing their status with a potential partner, I'd say chin up. Having this STD is not exceptional; having the moral fortitude to disclose it is. When you meet someone who can appreciate this, you'll know you've found a good one.

To find a testing center near you, visit https://www.cdc.gov/std, click "Prevention"; then click "Which STD Tests Should I Get?"

BEETLE BAILEY


BEFORE THE ARMY, MY LIFE WAS NOTHING BUT "SEX, DRUGS AND ROCK AND ROLL"
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AND NOW YOU SING THE BLUES ?
IT'S ALL I HAVE LEFT
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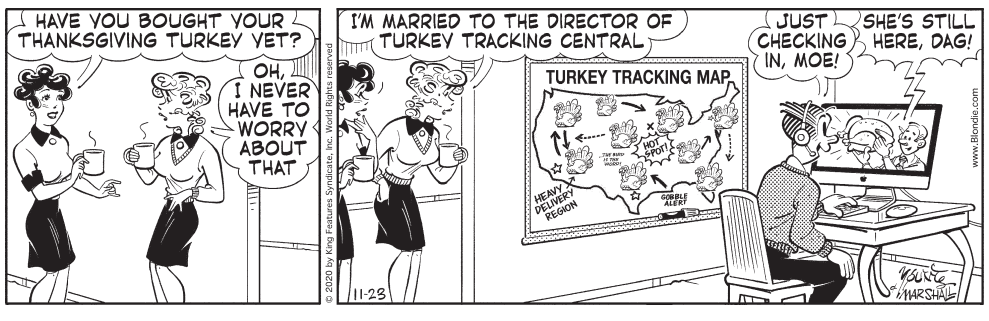
HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR THANKSGIVING TURKEY YET?
OH, I NEVER HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT
I'M MARRIED TO THE DIRECTOR OF TURKEY TRACKING CENTRAL
JUST CHECKING IN, MOE!
SHE'S STILL HERE, DAG!
TURKEY TRACKING MAP
HOT SPOT
HENRY DELIVERY REGION
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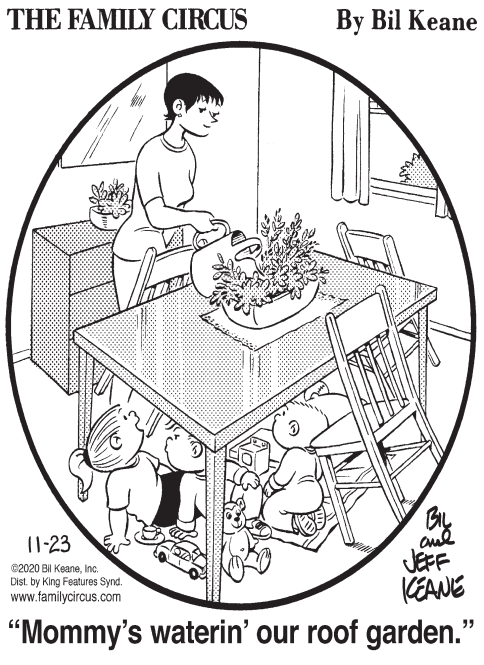

"Mommy's waterin' our roof garden."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I ASKED MOM TO GIVE ME A BREAK... BUT THIS ISN'T WHAT I HAD IN MIND."

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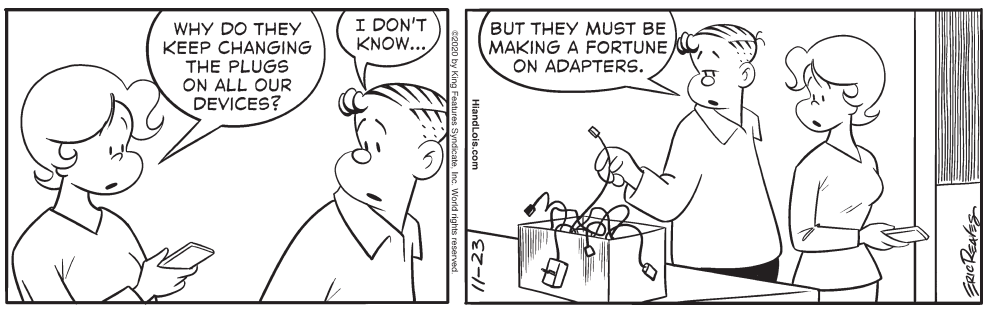
WHY DO THEY KEEP CHANGING THE PLUGS ON ALL OUR DEVICES?
I DON'T KNOW...
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BUT THEY MUST BE MAKING A FORTUNE ON ADAPTERS.
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ONCE, THERE WERE THREE BEARS...
NO! NO! NO!
OKAY, OKAY... I'LL READ IT YOUR WAY.
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ONCE, THERE WERE THREE POOPIES...
GIGGLE! GIGGLE!

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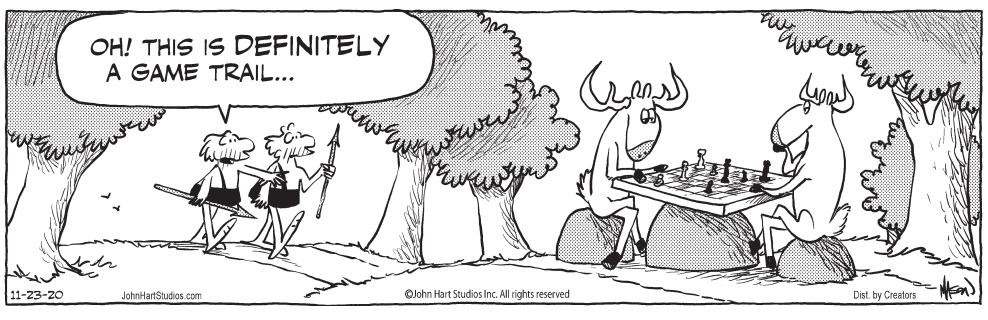

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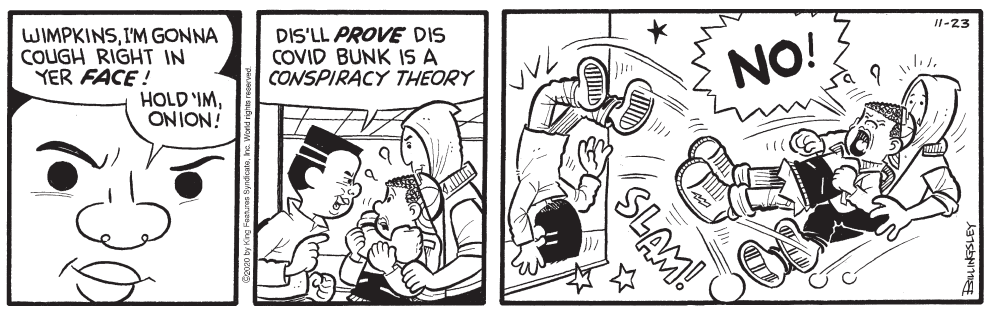
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NO!
SLAM!
BRIAN WILKINSLEY

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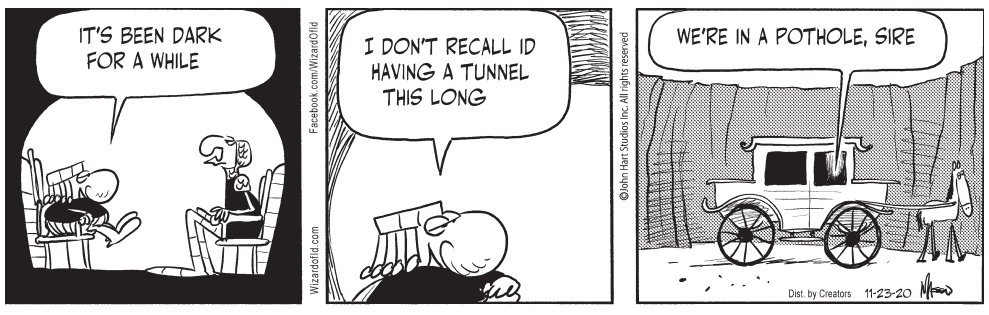
IT'S BEEN DARK FOR A WHILE
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I DON'T RECALL ID HAVING A TUNNEL THIS LONG
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SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH THIS SHOWER GEL.
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IT'S NOT SHOWER GEL, IT'S HAND SANITIZER.
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WELL, NOW IT'S SANITIZED A LOT MORE THAN HANDS.
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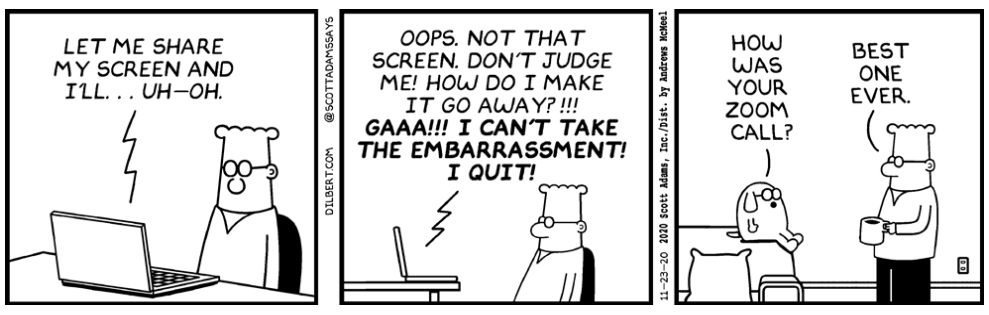
LET ME SHARE MY SCREEN AND I'LL... UH-OH.
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OOPS. NOT THAT SCREEN. DON'T JUDGE ME! HOW DO I MAKE IT GO AWAY?!!! GAAA!!! I CAN'T TAKE THE EMBARRASSMENT! I QUIT!
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HOW WAS YOUR ZOOM CALL?
BEST ONE EVER.

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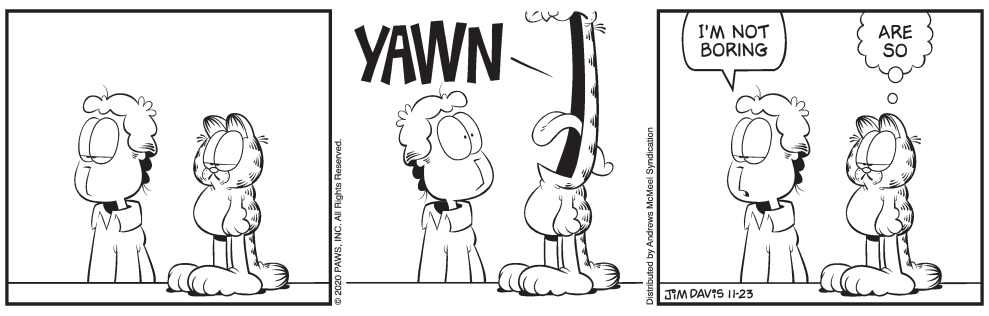

FORT KNOX

MY DAD CAN'T MAKE IT FOR THANKSGIVING.
I'M SORRY TO HEAR THAT.
INLAW OUTLAW
FORTUNATELY, HE'S GOING TO JOIN US THROUGH ZOOM.
SO THERE'S NOT MUCH PREPARATION NEEDED.
ZOOM ME UP
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EXCEPT PRAY WE LOSE OUR WIFI.
PULL THE PLUG!

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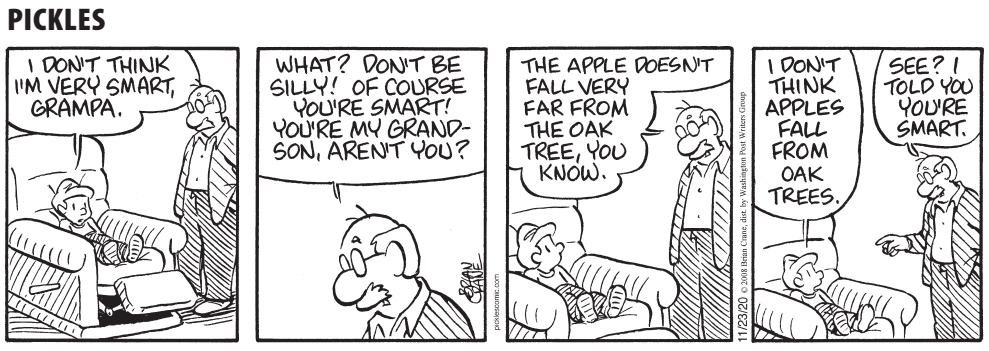
I DON'T THINK I'M VERY SMART, GRAMPA.
WHAT? DON'T BE SILLY! OF COURSE YOU'RE SMART! YOU'RE MY GRANDSON, AREN'T YOU?
THE APPLE DOESN'T FALL VERY FAR FROM THE OAK TREE, YOU KNOW.
I DON'T THINK APPLES FALL FROM OAK TREES.
SEE? I TOLD YOU YOU'RE SMART.
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Rediscovering the magic of the holidays

ANNIE **LANE**
DEAR ANNIE

Dear Annie: While I don't dread holidays, as "Holiday Anxiety" expressed, I don't go "all in" either.

All my close family has gone to their rewards. None of my high school and earlier friends has time or money for more than immediate family, and my partner passed a decade ago.

I do miss the family traditions, the scents and the decorations; I am also now aware of the time and effort my parents and grandparents put in to create these memories, and I am grateful.

For "Holiday Anxiety," I suggest:

1. I make gift baskets for shelter animals and their keepers. Cat litter, dog food, paper towels and sanitizer might not seem very "gifty," but you drop some off with gift cards and pet toys, and you're a hero. I gave a local shelter administrator a glittery holiday card including $100; the lady burst into tears, which made me proud and happy.

2. Our country is chock-a-block with kids who eat ketchup sandwich meals, if they eat at all. Shames me, 'cuz even though I'm a disabled veteran, I have no excuse for being fat, 'cept I eat too much and have too much. I give through the VA, Catholic charities, the Salvation Army and do food drives. If you hate the holidays, then make them better for someone else.

3. Walk the streets and absorb the atmosphere. See the kids, bright-eyed and full of wonder; look at the window displays. Smell the food, the firewood, the goodies. Just be in the moment.

4. If possible, go ice skating. It is impossible to be bitter and holiday hatin' on a pair of skates, especially if the '40s music is on. Try. You can't, even on your butt.

5. A small decoration can work wonders. Unlike my parents, who created holiday displays visible from space — really — I have a four-foot artificial tree, decorated with heirloom ornaments and light strings. I buy pine-scented stuff, and, like the '70s high schooler I am still, I drape a cord of little lights around my bedroom. Those lil twinkly lights make me feel at home for the holidays.

6. Enjoy seasonal music. Force yourself if you "hate" it. Listen to the Christian and secular, feel and fall into the lyrics. You'll feel better.

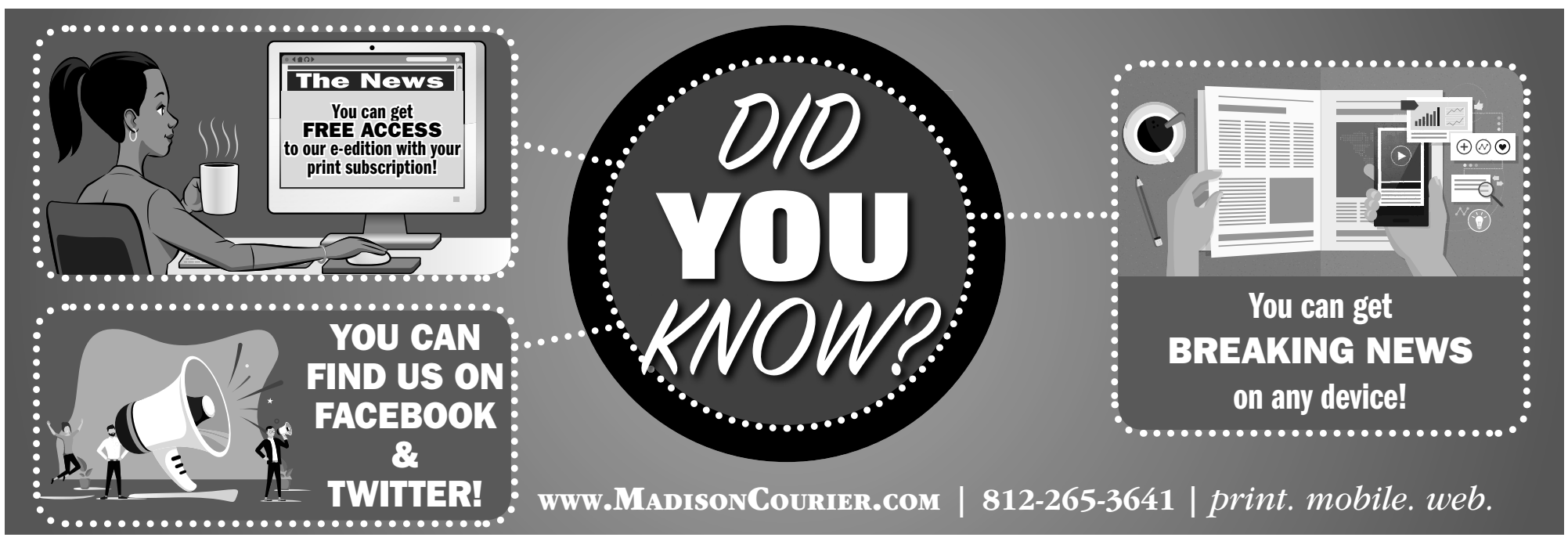
And if your writer can do none of this, that's fine, too. Some folk just can't. I wish I could reach out and share my take on the holidays with "Holiday Anxiety," 'cuz I used to think I hated them, too.

I don't "decorate" nor do I "buy special things," and all with whom I would have exchanged gifts are deceased. And given my lack of kitchen skill, any cookies I made would most likely get me arrested or find me homeless, after burning my house down.

But I enjoy the season, simply because I enjoy the pleasure of others. I cannot Grinch in the presence of joy, just can't. Is it possible "Holiday Anxiety" could come to the "light," just accept the message and ignore the commercialism?

Peace, safety, and love upon you and yours, ma'am, in this time of turmoil and disruption. — Ryan C.

Dear Ryan: I couldn't have said it better myself. Giving and appreciating what we have are the best rewards. Thank you for sharing and spreading some holiday cheer.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JANUARY

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COVID-19 concerns. The Lady Rebels' next scheduled game is Dec. 4 at home against Shawe.

Madison's girls had their home game against South Dearborn on Tuesday stopped just minutes before the junior varsity was set to begin due to a COVID issue with South Dearborn. The Cubs will play again on Saturday, but their game against Class 3A No. 2 Salem has been moved to Madison. Shawe has moved its boys-girls doubleheader with Medora on Nov. 24 to Dec. 2 and has moved a boys game with New Washington on Nov. 28 to Dec. 12.

A shutdown in Decatur County has forced several postponements with Switzerland County moving a boys game with South Decatur and a girls game with North Decatur. Switzerland has picked up Christian Academy of Madison for a home game on Dec. 4.

In wrestling, the Madison-Southwestern match scheduled for this past Monday was rescheduled for Dec. 15. The Scottsburg Invitational, which was set for Saturday and was to include both Madison and Southwestern, has been canceled.

STEP

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SOUTHWESTERN REBELS

Southwestern lost leading scorer Matthew Williams for virtually the entire season and head coach Jerry Bomholt resigned two weeks before the sectional, but the Rebels still won 17 games and reached the sectional championship before bowing out.

Now, back at full strength, the Rebels are ready for one more shot at a title with a talented, experienced roster that is hungry for wins.

"This is an extremely talented roster with a lot of offensive firepower. Our job as a coaching staff will be to get them to continue buying into the defensive end," said Southwestern coach Zac Nussbam, an assistant who took over for Bomholt at the end of the season and then got the full-time head coaching job several months later. "We are going to play a deeper bench this year, so just getting them to understand how hard they have to play when they are in the game is essential. Hopefully we can have fans so they can come out and enjoy these players. When they put it all together they are really fun to watch."

All five of Southwestern's starters averaged double-figures in scoring last year, led by Madison Courier Player of the Year Foster Mefford, who averaged 21.3 points, 6.0 rebounds and 6.0 assists per game. Mefford already owns the school's assist record and scored his 1,000th career point last season.

"Foster Mefford has to be on the Mount Rushmore of basketball players to come through Southwestern. He is currently the schools all-time assist leader and has a chance to be second or third in scoring by the time he graduates," Nussbaum said. "His stats show his talent but the kid is just a winner. He has worked extremely hard on his game and is setting up to have a tremendous senior season."

Mefford will be aided greatly by the return of Williams, who was averaging 14.5 points when he injured his knee in the sixth game of the season. A talented outside shooter, the 6-foot-3 senior can also be a force around the basket.

Senior Austin Kramer had a terrific all-around season averaging 13.5 points, 5.1 rebounds, 4.9 assists and 4.0 steals per game while junior Zach Cole averaged 10.4 points and 5.1 rebounds per game inside. Senior Billy Eccles was a shooting force outside and averaged 11.4 points per game.

Like Madison, Southwestern's traditional season opener — the Turkey Shootout — has been moved to Jan. 22 due to COVID-19 concerns. As a result, the Rebels will not open the season until Dec. 4 when the host Shawe as part of a boys-girls doubleheader.

SHAWE HILLTOPPERS

Shawe went 9-14 in coach Dan Hambrick's first season last year and had high hopes coming into this year. But between graduations and the transfer of three starters, Hambrick will be facing a near-complete rebuild in year two with an untested roster that features just one player with varsity experience.

"We are already going to be starting behind being off due to our school being on virtual learning the last two weeks. On top of that, I lost five seniors due to graduation and three potential starters to this years team due to transfers," Hambrick said. "With all that said I still had 24 come out for the team which is great."

Senior Grayson May, the only returner, will be the team's leader this year. May had a breakout season of sorts last year, averaging 8.3 points, 4.1 rebounds, 3.8 assists and 3.1 steals per game while shooting 44.6% from 3-point range. Senior Gage Dermon and juniors Louis Liu and Christian Whitham give the Hilltoppers some age, but none played varsity last year.

"To say we are going to be young and inexperienced on the varsity this year would be an understatement but I am really pleased with the way the underclassman are already battling during practice," Hambrick said. "Even though we will be young and inexperienced this year, I actually think we will be deeper. I have 10-12 players that are really close in talent that can play which will give me an opportunity to keep fresh players on the floor. I'm really excited to see how this group will play and come together this year."

Shawe's two games next week — vs. Medora on Nov. 24 and New Washington on Nov. 28 — have been rescheduled. The Hilltoppers will now open the season on Dec. 1 at home against Jac-Cen-Del.

SWITZERLAND COUNTY PACERS

New head coach Travis Wrightsman takes over a Switzerland County program in transition. The Pacers graduated seven seniors off a 6-18 team and have only one player back with any varsity experience.

But Wrightsman, who faced the Pacers numerous times as head coach at South Ripley, likes what he has seen from his young team.

"This year's Pacer team will lack experience but will have solid depth and will play very hard," Wrightsman said. "We will have a chance to play six juniors and three seniors this year so we will have a solid group of players who will play hard and have to use their team speed on defense. We plan on pushing the ball as much as possible and use our guard play as a strength of our team."

Ben Hicks, a 5-foot-11 junior guard, is the veteran of the group but averaged only 2.8 points per game last season. Wrightsman will lean heavily on him, as well as senior Nate Geyman, and juniors Bryce Wrightsman, Bryce Turner and Austin Bosaw. Seniors Zach Stout and Mason Covington, junior Cole Riley and freshman Jacob Williams will also see plenty of playing time.

"Ben will look to bring leadership, experience, and scoring to a Pacer team that graduated almost all of its scoring. Ben can score in multiple ways and will look to be one of the better players in the ORVC," Wrightsman said. "Bryce (Wrightsman) will run the point and provide very good leadership on the floor. Bryce, a newcomer to Switzerland County, will have to look to score and play very solid defense. Nate will provide some size and will be able to play inside and out for the Pacers. Nate will have to provide rebounding for a Pacer team without a lot of size."

Switzerland's season opener against Lawrenceburg on Tuesday has been moved to a later date. The Pacers will now open the season at Austin on Saturday, Nov. 28.

CHRISTIAN ACADEMY DEFENDERS

Christian Academy graduated two 1,000 point career scorers off its 27-9 team from a year ago but there are plenty of reasons to believe that the Defenders can still be one of the better small school teams in the area.

The biggest reason for that optimism is junior guard Clay Carter, who averaged 13.6 points and 4.1 assists per game for CAM last season. Senior Chase Hoskins (6.8 ppg, 4.3 rpg) will also look to have a breakout season while junior Jaxon Miller (5.0 ppg, 5.5 rpg), junior Adin Gamble (2.7 ppg, 2.4 rpg) and senior Brent Renfro will also see plenty of minutes on the floor.

"I'm hoping to see Clay Carter expand his role and become a greater offensive threat helping to fill the void in the loss of our two senior starters from last year. Over the summer Clay has really improved his vision and ability to get to the rim," Christian Academy coach Adrian Carter said. "Chase Hoskins will become our new big man in the middle, having improved over the summer with his back to the basket. Jaxon Miller will continue his roll as a wingman and I expect a break out year for him. Adin Gamble will take on more point guard responsibilities this year as his ball handling has improved. Brent Renfro will move up to a starting position and will help bring more speed and a stronger defense to the team. This year we expect to have a good year. We will be a different team but overall looking to be a little quicker and more of a run and gun team."

Christian Academy has already opened the season, defeating Cornerstone Christian 50-30 on Nov. 13. The Defenders traveled to Micah Christian (Ky.) on Friday and host Pleasant View on Saturday. CAM will then host Assumption (Ky.) on Tuesday.

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